

Livingstone will head GLC delegation to Moscow

Mr Kenneth Livingstone, leader of the Greater London Council, is to make his first visit to Moscow next year at the invitation of Mr Vladimir Promyslov, the mayor of Moscow, who last night cut short his trip to Britain.

Mr Promyslov and his wife, Irina, today fly to West Germany on a private visit and will miss the concert they were due to attend tonight at the Festival Hall. The rest of the Soviet delegation will complete their visit and return direct to Moscow from London.

Mr Livingstone will form part of a delegation including Mr Harvey Hinds, chairman of the GLC, and Mr Alan Greenross, leader of the GLC Conservative group.

Mother to challenge ruling on the Pill

A mother of ten children will seek a declaration from the High Court on Monday that a Department of Health memorandum on prescribing contraceptives to girls under 16 is illegal.

Mrs Victoria Gillick, aged 36, from Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, is challenging a department memorandum allowing doctors to prescribe contraceptives or perform an abortion on girls under 16 without their parents' consent.

Minister on a neutral line

Mr Tom King, Secretary of State for Transport, opened the 15th Bedford-St. Paters commuter service yesterday, and firmly refused to identify himself as either pro- or anti-rail.

Jenkin criticizes council staff

Council workers have been taking ratenayers "for a ride", Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment, told a conference of town clerks in Liverpool yesterday.

Sailor may be becalmed

Mr Tom McClean, who is sailing from North America to Britain in his 78' 9" yacht Giltspur, is thought to be becalmed.

Work resumed at Scots pit

Squads of miners and other workers yesterday resumed underground and surface maintenance at Polkemmet colliery, Whitburn, Lothian, after a settlement of a four-day strike.

Sizewell protest at sea dumps

Anti-nuclear protesters demonstrated at the Sizewell B public inquiry yesterday in London and called for a ban on the sea dumping of radioactive waste.

818 jobs to go at glassworks

United Glass, Britain's biggest bottlemaker which has been affected particularly by a decline in whisky drinking, said yesterday it planned to close two of its five glassworks by the end of the year, with the loss of 818 jobs.

Steel will come under party fire

Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, is likely to come under attack today at a meeting of the party's national council in Chester.

Damages for libel

The Daily Telegraph yesterday agreed in the High Court to pay "substantial" damages and costs to each of 17 consultant psychiatrists who had sued separately over articles which criticized the standards of psychiatric care and treatment provided at Friern Hospital in north London.



Mrs Linda Whicher is a mother in 50 born eight years ago, and twins Andrew and Simon arrived three years later.

MPs' pay rise dispute

'New boys' angry after taking large salary cuts

Much of the anger expressed yesterday by new MPs over their proposed 5.5 per cent pay rise reflects the fact that many of the "new boys" in this parliament will have taken cuts in salaries.

One new MP was heard to remark that it was all very well for one of his Tory colleagues, who possessed two Rolls-Royces, but he now had no other source of income other than his MP's salary to feed a large family.

Deep-frozen test-tube baby dies

The world's first deep-frozen test-tube baby has died in Australia after 24 weeks in its mother's womb, it was announced yesterday.

Hotel owner jailed for £1m fraud attempt

David Rubin, an hotel owner, was jailed for four years at the High Court in Edinburgh yesterday for inciting arson in an attempted £1m insurance fraud.

Police inquiry after jail clash

A Merseyside Labour MP demanded yesterday that the policeman who was photographed apparently kicking a demonstrator outside Walton jail, Liverpool, on Thursday be dismissed from the force.

Intimidation must end, Ulster bishop says

As the five latest victims of Ulster's violence were buried yesterday, a Church of Ireland bishop called for an end to sectarian attacks aimed at driving people from their homes.

The ominous trend of stone and petrol-bomb attacks on Protestant and Roman Catholic homes has continued throughout the week, and the death of four Ulster Defence Regiment members in a Provisional IRA landmine blast in Co Tyrone on Wednesday has increased tension.

Roman Catholic families have been attacked and there has been retaliation against Protestants which has destroyed homes, forced people to move, and increased communal fear.

They must be condemned without reserve. I utterly deplore the fact that people and their property in my diocese were attacked in such a cowardly way. Whether Protestant or Roman Catholic, they have the right to live in their homes and to live in peace.

He told mourners at the funeral in Dunguig, Tyrone, of Private John Rosborough, aged 18, that people were frightened by the attacks, but everyone should try to heal community divisions.

The bishop said the present situation was too dangerous and tragic for anyone to suggest new political institutions before the general election left the impression that many in Northern Ireland favoured violence to achieve their objectives.

National Portrait Gallery buys Hayman tea scene

A group portrait of "Jonathan Tyers and his family taking tea" by Francis Hayman was withdrawn from yesterday's sale at Christie's because it had been sold privately to the National Portrait Gallery the night before.

The tea party picture is one of Hayman's finest group portraits and Christie's had been suggesting a price of £30,000-£50,000 for it. It was one of a group of pictures sent for sale from the estate of the late Mrs Elsie Tritton of Godmersham Park.

Warships for Far East

Twelve ships of the Royal Navy and the Royal Fleet Auxiliary will sail for the Indian Ocean and the Far East in September.

Science report

Ship puts origin of gear back centuries

One of the earliest gear mechanisms has been recognized in material recovered from a wreck off the coast of Tunisia. Dating to the first century BC, the gear seems to have been for an oscillating water pump, perhaps to drain the bilges of a ship.

The mechanism was among a large quantity of goods recovered between 1908 and 1913 from the Mahdia wreck, which are now in the Bardo Museum in Tunis. It consists of three pairs of cylindrical bronze bushes, with which are associated three lead swing weights with scoops cast in their ends.

The smaller cogs were mounted in series on the driving shaft, and the larger pair, toothed around only half their circumference, on the powered axle in position: all four cogwheels would be engaged whichever direction the drive shaft turned.

The third pair of bronze bushes, 15cm diameter but 12 equally spaced holes around the flange, Those Herr Kapitän suggests, would connect a pendulum to the gear: the pendulum would end in one of the lead swing weights, which would scoop water as it turned.

The lead scoops would have been in a casing, and from the Mahdia material in the Bardo Museum, Herr Kapitän has identified a large lead sheet bent into a U shape, the width corresponding to that of the scoops.

Sale room

A record for the artist at £48,000 (estimate £6,000-£10,000). The sale included a group of 23 paintings by very rare Irish artists sent for sale by the Hon Desmond Guinness, which sold for a total of £508,140.

There were four outstanding pictures by the Irish landscapist Thomas Roberts, with a top price of £64,800 (estimate £15,000-£25,000) for "Woodmen towing a boat on the lake at Carton, Co Kildare". There were two George Barret landscapes and his "A view in Castletown Park and the Liffey" sold for £15,120 (estimate £7,000-£10,000).

Overseas selling prices

Australia: 28c. Belgium: 20c. Canada: 19c. France: 18c. Germany: 20c. Greece: 19c. Hong Kong: 19c. India: 18c. Italy: 18c. Japan: 19c. Korea: 19c. Luxembourg: 19c. Netherlands: 19c. New Zealand: 19c. Norway: 19c. Portugal: 19c. Spain: 19c. Sweden: 19c. Switzerland: 19c. Taiwan: 19c. Thailand: 19c. United Kingdom: 19c. USA: 18c.

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Joseph proposes higher pay for good teachers and purge of bad heads

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

A programme for action in education, which involves paying good teachers more money and getting rid of bad teachers, was announced yesterday by Sir Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science.

"We need a system which will give extra rewards to the mature classroom teacher of exceptional talent without requiring promotion to posts carrying managerial responsibility."

For that to happen, teachers would have to be assessed properly, either by themselves or by one another.

Speaking to the local education authorities' annual conference in Canterbury, Sir Keith said he was outlining an idea for partnership with local authorities.

For the classroom teacher, he said a new salary structure was needed, as well as a system to enable the best to progress more rapidly than the rest.

"There are teachers who are perfectly capable of judging their own performance," he said afterwards. "But some are not able to, and then we will have to bring in some sort of peer review."

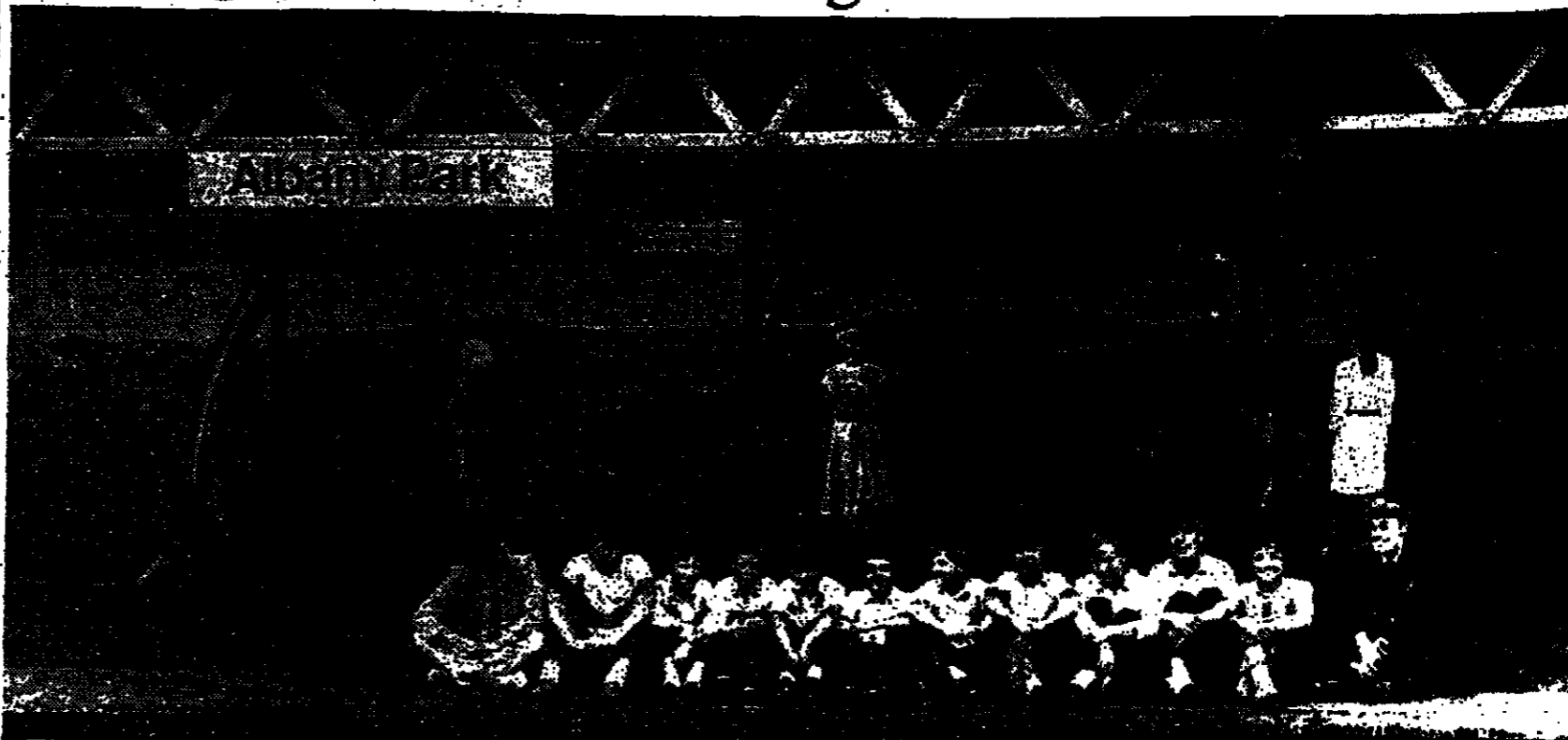
The education service is far from perfect, he said. "It is our most important purpose to improve a wide-ranging speech in which he announced his intention to pupil profiles, records of children's character achievement, Sir Keith said the local authority employers had to act resolutely to head teachers fell short of necessary standards.



Sir Keith: Extra reward for talented teachers

"We need to develop a system of records of achievement, available throughout the ability range," he said. These would also throw light on a pupil's character, self-discipline and behaviour towards others.

Young masters' mural brightens suburban station



Mirror to nature: Larry Taffs (on bench), a leading railman, sits next to his portrait in a mural painted by boys from Harstmers School at Albany Park station, Bexley, Kent. On the right is Ron Lamb, station master.

Warning to divorcees on delays

Divorcing couples were warned by a judge yesterday not to let their heads when it came to sifting out financial matters. If they did, they could end up in the same position as a 40-year-old woman, who received £500 in respect of her half of the £30,000 marital home.

'Stillborn' baby lives at weight of 1lb 13oz

A baby whom doctors said was stillborn was saved because of her grandmother's curiosity. Gemma Louise Baxter showed no signs of life when she was delivered about 16 weeks premature at Southport Infirmary, Merseyside.

Skinheads throw girl over wall

Two skinheads who kicked and punched an eight-year-old girl and then hurled her over a wall, were being sought by police yesterday. The attack happened close to Natalie Crichlow's home in Dovehouse Hill, Luton, as she was walking home from school.

Government urged to restrict number of abortions

Synod vote almost unanimous

The reform and restriction of the law on abortion should be an urgent government priority, the General Synod of the Church of England declared almost unanimously at its meeting in York yesterday.

Falklands play banned by theatre

By Craig Seton

Attempts were being made yesterday to find an alternative venue in Plymouth, Devon, to stage the highly-praised London production of *Falkland Sound*, a play which examines doubts and disillusionment over the Falklands conflict.

Her situation was one which lawyers would find "extraordinary", Mrs Justice Booth said in the High Court.

Doctors told Mrs Baxter to prepare for the worst and her baby was covered and carried away in a cardboard receptacle.

Bail refused on shotgun charge

Judge Paul Clarke, sitting in chambers at Bodmin Crown Court yesterday, refused to overrule a decision by Liskeard magistrates that Mr Terence Rafferty, aged 54, from Polbennick, who is charged with possessing a loaded shotgun with intent to endanger life, should not be allowed bail.

The final vote, 256 in favour with two against, and the tone of many of the speeches, showed that opinion in this assembly has become somewhat more opposed to abortion than on the two previous occasions, both nearly 10 years ago, when the issue was last debated.

Mr Morrell said it was too sensitive to show in a city which serviced 40 per cent of the servicemen for the Falklands campaign because it could distress those who lost relatives.

Long delays in the woman's case, which had dragged on since 1974 and run up a legal bill of at least £10,000, had rendered it impossible for the court to do "proper justice".

But, by chance, Mrs Baxter's mother, Olive Langridge, of Bellis Avenue, Southport, while waiting outside the theatre and her curiosity got the better of her. A ward sister went to have another look at the baby after Olive asked what sex it was and found the child had started to breathe.

Arsonist sent to Broadmoor

A man who admitted six arson charges was ordered to be detained indefinitely in Broadmoor by a judge at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

These debates were at a time of public controversy caused by parliamentary attempts to change the law; the synod now wants the church to initiate a fresh public debate, calling on the Government to be the agent of change, no longer relying upon private members' motions.

Mr Stafford-Clark said yesterday that Mr Morrell, a solicitor and Conservative councillor, was being "over-protective" and he accused him of censorship.

Grandmother wins custody of child

A judge ruled yesterday that a baby born while his mother was kept alive on life support machine should be cared for by his grandmother and not by his father.

The baby was soon transferred to Oxford Street Maternity Hospital, Liverpool.

Gold salvors sent for trial

Two members of the team which recovered £45m of gold from sunken wreck of HMS Edinburgh were sent for trial at the Central Criminal Court by Bow Street magistrates yesterday, charged under the Official Secrets Act.

The amended resolution passed yesterday declared first that "life developing in the womb is created by God in his own image and is, therefore, to be nurtured, supported and protected".

To loud laughter and applause, Dr Blanch replied: "I have always said that the best speeches I have ever heard in this synod have had nothing to do with the subject in hand."



Dr Blanch: Tributes from synod

Prince's visit angers doctors

The Prince of Wales flew into controversy yesterday when he made an official visit to an orthodox cancer treatment centre.

Man jumped to death from ferry

The body of a man who fell from a Sealink ferry was recovered off Portland Bill, Dorset yesterday. Police said the 36-year-old man, who was on the ferry with his wife, had jumped.

Meehan to be offered higher compensation

Mr Patrick Meehan, who has pleaded guilty to a murder, is to receive a £50,000 offer, Mr George O'Sullivan, Secretary of State for Ireland, announced yesterday.

Man in holiday film gives murder hunt a new lead

A man pictured in a holiday-maker's video film taken at Castleton, Derbyshire on the day when Miss Susan Renhard was murdered gave detectives an important new lead yesterday.

Desert pitch awaits England's cricketers

As the England Test cricketers returned at The Oval yesterday against New Zealand, they received their most unusual tour offer ever: to play in the rabid Gulf desert.

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THE ARTS

Theatre

The Fawn Cottesloe

John Marston occasioned one of the National Theatre's earliest flops with The Dutch Courtesan, and anyone who knows him only from that play and The Malcontent as an angry marionette is in for a shock with this gently mocking piece...

Duke is the biggest fool of the lot, and the prime instigator in trying to marry his daughter off to the allegedly senile Hercules.

Gonzago is supposedly modelled on James I, and certainly qualifies for the title of the wisest fool in Christendom.

The play stands at a crossroads in theatre history. Its parade of personified follies and its Court of Comedies relate back to the middle ages...

Also it contains a strong masque element of its own period (1606), which sets Hercules' investigations on a different theatrical plane from the realistic comedy of the lovers.

Irving Wardle

shirtd boys and fast-food headresses for the girls that extend to a ketchup and salad-cream table-setting revealing itself as the boy who sings "Great Pretender".

No artist is identified in the programme, which is a pity. Successive black ladies sing "Muscles" with hucious conviction and make thrilling things out of the hackneyed "My Guy" and "Respect".

The hype on Jukebox, which states that "there has never been a musical that had so many hits before it even started", might fairly add that not one of them is original.

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Bolshoi Ballet Stars Théatre des Champs-Élysées

At the Théâtre des Champs-Élysées until July 20 you can see something remarkable. Ballet, like sports, is generally dominated by the young and the programme being given there by Stars of the Bolshoi includes, as its middle section, three contrasted duets by some of the rising young dancers from Moscow.

The instigator, leader, choreographer and star of the group is Vladimir Vasiliev, who graduated from the Bolshoi School in the same year (1958) that Nureyev did from the Kirov.

They do not hog the limelight, ceding their one-time showpiece, the Don Quixote pas de deux, to a younger couple, Nina Semizova (a great favourite in Paris) and Viktor Barykin, the latter a forceful young man who, with his jutting jaw and thoughtful eyes, even looks a little like Vasiliev.

Luckily, there is no need to lament lost glories, because Maximova and Vasiliev are prominently featured in the ballets that begin and end the show.

As it happens, Fadyeyev's son, Alexei is also with the group, and another second-generation dancer, Andris Lepe, son of Maris. Among the women, young Irina Piatkina has a sprightly, effervescent charm.

As far as I was concerned, says the Welsh lady of indeterminate age but clearly a socialist of many years' standing, "the millennium had arrived."

Dance The illustrious class of '58



Maximova and Vasiliev in "Homage to Ulanova"

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"Conversation," said Ambrose Bierce, "is a fair for the display of the minor mental commodities, each exhibitor being too intent upon the arrangement of his own wares to observe those of his neighbour."

This ballet reveals a new side of Vasiliev as dancer and choreographer, although it could be argued that what he is doing is a twentieth-century equivalent of the way Petipa took Spanish dancing as the basis of parts of Don Quixote.

His other creation, beginning the programme, looks back to the strict classical tradition as taught in the schoolroom.

Where the new work differs from those earlier examples of the genre is that its small cast of 10 dancers compels him to put the emphasis far more on the individual, so that every member of the group has the chance of showing his or her paces.

Another, Vasiliev casts himself as a ballet master in charge of the Algonquin Hotel, when the fish was off and Alexander Woolcott was being particularly bitchy to Dorothy Parker - not very funny if you happened to be sitting at a nearby table.

In recent weeks, I have overheard a variety of irksome conversations from my nearby table. There was some talk about chewing gum (Robinson: "The person who chews gum in public is telling me rather more about himself than anybody would want to know").

Other television highlights: Two high-quality James Whale medical science dramas which contain elements of horror yet emerge more as brilliant excursions into the realms of fantasy.

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Court of Appeal

Limits of legal aid grant for appeal

Regina v Kearney Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Mustill and Mr Justice Skinner [Judgment delivered July 15] The grant of legal aid to a defendant in the Crown Court - which covered "assistance in the preparation of an application for leave to appeal or in giving of a notice of appeal" as provided by section 30(7) of the Legal Aid Act 1974 - did not cover a request to the court itself for an application which had been refused by the single judge on a preliminary consideration of the papers under section 31 of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968.

Court of Appeal

Use of arrest to check suspicions

Commission on Criminal Procedure in England and Wales. Paragraph 3.66 stated: "The period of detention upon arrest may be used for certain purposes, and the power of arrest is also related to these. Indeed the purposes for which the existing powers of arrest are used in practice can be put in the following terms. "It may be used to prevent the suspect destroying evidence or interfering with witnesses or securing accomplices who have not yet been arrested. Where there is good reason to suspect a repetition of offence, especially but not exclusively offences of violence, it may be used to stop such an occurrence. "Finally, the criterion of having reasonable grounds for suspicion sufficient to justify a charge, hearsay evidence, for example, may be sufficient grounds for arrest, but it is not sufficient for a person to be charged, since it will not be admissible as evidence at trial. "Accordingly, the period of detention may be used to dispel or confirm that reasonable suspicion by questioning the suspect or seeking further material evidence with his assistance. This has not always been the law, especially but not necessarily in relation to one of the primary purposes of detention upon arrest."

Court of Appeal

ATOL required for trade-only deals

Jet Travel Ltd v Slade Travel Agency Ltd Before Lord Justice Stephenson, Lord Justice Griffiths and Lord Justice May [Judgment delivered July 15] Intermediaries who did not sell air tickets directly to the public but sold only to other tour operators were still required to hold an air transport organizer's licence (ATOL) under regulation 2(1) of the Civil Aviation (Air Traffic Organizers Licensing) Regulations (SI 1972 No 233).

Court of Appeal

No power to delay legal aid charge

Regina v The Law Society, Ex parte Saxton In matrimonial disputes involving legally aided persons, the Law Society had a statutory charge on money ordered by the court to be paid by one party to the other party for the purpose of purchasing a new house. The Legal Aid Regulations did not give the Law Society either a power to postpone enforcement of the charge in such circumstances or any discretion to accept a substitute charge on any replacement house.

Court of Appeal

Chief constable cannot delegate dismissal

Regina v Deputy Chief Constable of Nottinghamshire Constabulary, Ex parte Street The decision to discontinue the services of a probationary constable under regulation 17 of the Police Regulations (SI 1979 No 1470) could not be delegated to the deputy chief constable, but had to be made by the chief constable.

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The defence was that the contract on which the plaintiffs sued was illegal and unenforceable because they were in breach of regulation 2(1) of the 1972 Regulations in that they did not hold an ATOL.

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Mr Justice Stuart-Smith allowed an appeal by the defendants, Slade Travel Agency, from an order of Master Bickford-Smith that judgment be entered for the plaintiffs against the defendants for £4,280 and damages and interest to be assessed.

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Mr Denis Henry, QC and Mr Mark Barnes for the plaintiffs; Mr Michael Tugendhat for the defendants.

THE TIMES DIARY

Unexposed

James Tye, of the unofficial and publicity-hungry British Safety Council, is I fear, trying the management of the Albert Hall in knots. He is campaigning about the hall's fire safety systems, and has announced that his members will be monitoring progress in getting them improved.

That is cricket

On Monday, the day his Letters to a Grandson is published by Collins, Lord Home of the Hirsel will be opening an exhibition and launching a book written by two other people for the rival firm of Secker and Warburg.

You might think the sunshine would be good for Thomson Holidays, but not at all: the heat put their headquarters computer on the blink and now they are having to keep a hose trained on the external wall of Greater London House, Costa del Hampshire, to cool it down.

BARRY FANTONI



Cheer up, you can't help agreeing with Mrs Thatcher at least once

Unlucky dip

Congratulations to Michael Furniss, the first to deduce that my "Food for thought" (Diary, Wednesday), a packet whose ingredients included hydrogenated vegetable oil, imitation bacon bits, sodium glutamate, emulsifier, and anticaking agent, was an instant dip - namely McCormick Cracker Bacon flavour dip mix, with the instruction "just add milk".

Long job

What hope for the unemployed? P. Lyon, of South Wirral, has just received from Birkenhead Social Services Centre an acknowledgement for an application form for temporary work which he submitted on February 18, 1981. It regrets to inform him that his application has been unsuccessful. Luckily Lyon has been employed for two years now, but as he says: "If it takes two and a half years for the social services to write back to an unemployed graduate about a temporary job, what hope is there for people with no qualifications looking for a permanent one?"

Downtrodden

Such is fame: a direct mail shot soliciting sponsorship lists the names of Merseyside celebrities to be inlaid in flagstones along the pathway of honour which is to form the entrance esplanade to the international garden festival at Liverpool next year. The list includes "Bill Rogers". This is believed to refer to an out-of-work politician and old boy of Quarry Bank High School who, of course, does not spell his surname quite like that.

Some erotic news from the West End: the Greater London Council has asked Patrick Jenkin for permission to move Eros. The God of Love is in the way of plans to enlarge the Underground concourse below street level. The GLC want to move the aluminium statue, officially the Shaftesbury Memorial, 38ft south-east of its present site. Also to be shifted are 14 street lighting standards, 16 traffic lights, a lantern and railings to the subway entrances.

Riding high to track down a man-eater

John Pinkerton, a descendant of the wily Scot who founded the famous detective agency, takes riding his high-wheeled bicycle very seriously, and woe betide anyone who calls it a penny-farthing. To prove his love for this strange mode of transport, he and fellow enthusiasts will be setting off to ride across Britain from St David's in Wales to Great Yarmouth.

The men, offered mining jobs elsewhere, held a secret ballot and agreed overwhelmingly with the Coal Board. Few people north of Sheffield blamed them. Durham miners - 13,000 there once there were 170,000 - are realists.

Today most of them will be at the one hundredth Durham Miners' Gala, well aware that the spectacle hailed by Jim Callaghan as "the most moving event of the Labour movement's year" is equally in danger from the deluge.

The gala, known as "the big meeting" and in these parts pronounced to rhyme with "trailer", began in 1871. It missed nine years and also 1921, 1922 and 1926, when strikes had so depleted NUM funds there was nothing left for the organization. In between, it became Britain's biggest and most boisterous trade union gathering.

From eight o'clock Durham heaved with people - sometimes a quarter of a million. Ferryhill miner's son John McManners, now Professor of Ecclesiastical History at Christ Church, Oxford, recalls: "It was incredible, unique in my experience. I could only compare this gala with a French revolutionary concourse. All the shops were boarded up and people seemed tight before we arrived."

Past the Royal County Hotel, where on the balcony the day's leading Labour and trade union figures were hailed as heroes, the

it down. Mr Maurice Hopkins, a retired businessman, has hunted the beast which killed his uncle round the country for years and welcomes any cooperation in finding this exotic piece of cycling history.

McKay was a champion cyclist in his day. One of the pioneers, he once won the 50-mile race in Phoenix Park, Dublin. Mr Hopkins said. Unfortunately, Dr McKay had an equal passion for big game hunting and set out on October 22, 1894, by the shores of Lake Nyasa in search of elephants.

He was a surgeon on the gunboat HMS Pioneer and had taken a few days off to go hunting. Two lions confronted him in a clearing in the bush and his bearers, not expecting lions, slipped up the nearest tree.

McKay stood his ground and wounded one of the lions. Foolishly

he followed it into the bush, where it suddenly sprang, knocked the gun from his hand and started to make a meal of him. As it took a break, one of the bearers scrambled down from the tree and studied the gun in McKay's almost lifeless hands.

McKay was buried where he fell. The captain of the Pioneer, feeling he had to do something, decided to have the lion skinned and stuffed and sent back to Britain as a memento. Bearing the legend, "This is the lion that killed Mr E. F. McKay", it was presented to McKay's mother, with profuse naval apologies and a picture of his makeshift grave.

McKay's mother refused to have it in the house, and so the lion began a tour of English country houses and

sale rooms. Mr Hopkins said: "My other uncle was the last member of the family to see it - in Hertfordshire camp in 1935. He had stopped for a cuppa, looked up and saw the lion leering at him. He stalked out in a fury. Well, it was his brother, after all."

When Mr Hopkins tracked down the lion it had been sold, and the new owner did not know the lion's whereabouts. Hence the cycling safari - which, improbably, includes a Japanese volunteer - to resume the hunt.

Why high-wheelers? Because, when they come to a house with an aspistrina in the sitting room window, they can peer effortlessly over the top to see if there is a lion skulking amid the Victoriana behind.

Paul Pickering

Mike Amos looks at the hard facts behind the centenary miners' gala

Beer, banners - and burial?

If you are tired of the heatwave you could head East Hutton pit. There are millions of gallons of water down there. So much, in fact, that three weeks ago the National Coal Board proposed immediate closure of the County Durham colliery on safety grounds.

But the centenary gala serves only to underline that the event has become an anachronism. There are only 12 collieries in the Durham coalfield now: many of the dwindling crowds at recent galas - when the turnout has been as low as 50,000 - have never seen a pithead, let alone descended in the cage.

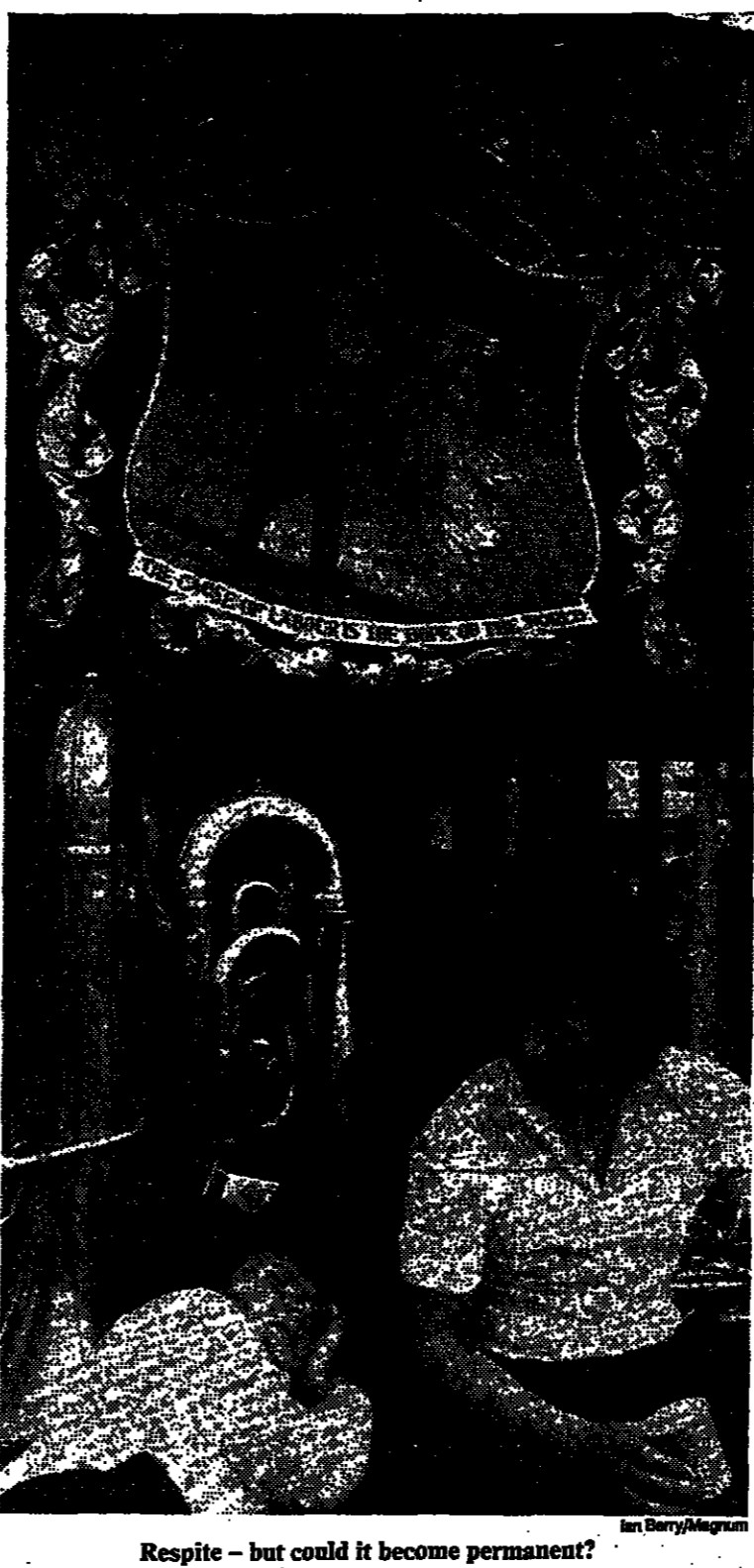
Yet the frequent suggestion that the big meeting should become a festival day for all the county's unions. Or to give it a decent burial. Diversification would change the whole character of the occasion, says Tom Callan, the Durham secretary of the union. But he still talks of "the big meeting when it was big".

Bill Moyes, author of a now out-of-print book on the Durham miners, rejects the argument that the gala should continue as long as a single pit is open. "I felt the pride and the passion of these banners; I wouldn't want to be in on the death throes."

miles-long crocodile would carry the banners of their mining lodges to the racecourse. Once the procession was over, the speeches took 5 1/2 hours.

Oswald Mosley spoke once, in 1927. In 1882 Prince Kropotkin was on the platform. Nowadays the Labour leader is an automatic choice and the lodges vote for the others. Today Foot, Kinnoch, Benn, Scargill and Daly will all be there.

Today will be all right, of course, because today is a celebration of 100 years. Today all the comradeship will be back, all the memories. Today Scargill will exhort, Kinnoch electrify and in front of Foot on the Royal County balcony people in cowboy hats will be dancing on a grave. It's the one hundred and first gala they need to think about. The one when there will probably be only 10 Durham pits left. For the big meeting has become a revel without a cause.



Respite - but could it become permanent? Ian Barry/Magnus

Geraldine Norman on the latest moves in the take-over battle

If the dragons are slain, will Sotheby's still need a white knight?

Alfred Taubman, one of America's 10 richest men - every cent self-made - has been giving evidence this week to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission in London.

The future of Sotheby's now hangs on the decision for or against Mr Taubman which the commission must take before November 2 - with the rider that it could be overturned by Mr Cecil Parkinson, the Trade Secretary.

The Sotheby's saga goes back to 1980, when an over-confident board embarked on a big expansion programme just as the recession struck. In 1982 it panicked and ordered an unnecessary tough policy of cuts and closures, with the result that many connoisseurs thought the company was going under and took their business to Christie's.

Jancis Robinson

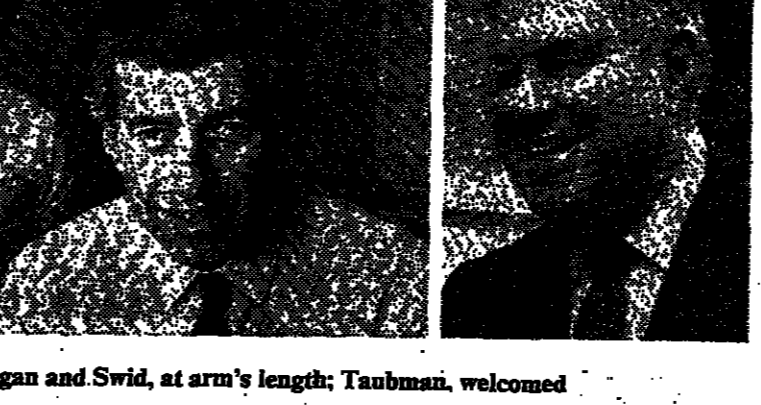
Plonk it back - your European duty

It is difficult to see how the Government can avoid making wine much cheaper for all of us in the wake of the European Court's ruling that the duty on wine is unfairly high.

The duty on wine in the UK is higher than in any member state except Ireland. Our current rate, which works out pre-VAT at 85p per 75cl bottle of table wine, is nearly twice as high as Denmark's wine duty, more than six times what is charged in Belgium and The Netherlands, and infinitely more than the nil or negligible duties in France, Italy, West Germany, Luxembourg and Greece.

Britain represents a potentially enormous market for wine that has so far been stunted by high excise duty. If the Government reacts to the EEC ruling in the way dictated by common sense, we could help drain the wine lake in the most obvious and pleasurable way. The author is wine correspondent of The Sunday Times.

Cogan and Swid, at arm's length; Taubman, welcomed



company wholly owned by one American millionaire - or indeed by a partnership of two or three - the focus of its activities is certain to slip more and more towards New York. This is likely anyway since New York already contributes more than London to group turnover.

While they were about it, the staff should rise up and sack half the present board, architects of their troubles. That is what would happen in an ideal world. In fact, Mr Taubman will most probably take over and sack half the board himself. But will he sack the right half?

Equality: a fight, not just a game

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Johannesburg Members of the MCC have been arguing this week on the pros and cons of a tour of that parish of the world community, South Africa - finally voting against. Even Mrs Thatcher got in on the act. It has all made excellent copy, not only for Fleet Street, but also for the South African press, which has been chronicling every twist and turn of the debate.

What is unlikely to emerge from all this sound and fury is any great illumination of an issue that over the years has generated very much more than its fair share of cant, hypocrisy, special pleading and sheer misinformation. What is also striking is how much more furiously, and intemperately, the debate rages thousands of miles away in London or New York than in South Africa.

The views of South Africans, of all races, who actually live in South Africa are seldom canvassed, and even if they could be established would, one suspects, be regarded as irrelevant by some of the more politically committed. (Not that this is any way prevents members of both the pro and anti camps from making large, and invariably untested, claims of popular support in South Africa for their particular points of view.)

That there have been marked changes in the organization of South African sport over the past 15 years, and that these changes have been made in response to the international boycott, is incontrovertible. Time was when Dr Hendrik Verwoerd, regarded by many as the architect of apartheid, refused to allow "people of Maori blood" to tour South Africa as part of a New Zealand rugby tour, which he insisted must be All Black in name only. It was his successor as prime minister, Mr John Vorster, who provoked the boycott in 1968 when he would not accept an English cricket team including the South African-born Basil D'Oliveira, a mixed-blood Cape coloured.

Today, on the face of it, the position is totally reversed. It is the outside world which refuses to come and play ball in South Africa, and it is the South Africans who are prepared to pay huge sums of money to lure foreign teams of any shade or colour to their shores. Internally, there is now no formal barrier in any major sport to the selection of national teams purely on the basis of merit or, to use Mr Vorster's term, proficiency. If, therefore, you take the view that the original, and present, purpose of the boycott was precisely to bring about this improved state of affairs, then it can be argued that its objective has been achieved and that it should be lifted. But that is not the only possible view of the justification for the boycott.

laws which impede the progress of the underprivileged from the cradle to the grave". In other words, nothing less than the removal of apartheid will do.

The result is that many amateur sports clubs still practise apartheid, municipal authorities often refuse the use of sporting facilities to blacks (swimming pools are rigidly segregated, as are most beaches) and the facilities available to blacks even in their own areas are despicable. Perhaps most serious of all, schools and school sport remain segregated by law.

But what do South Africans themselves think? There is no question that an overwhelming majority of whites, who account for about 15 per cent of the total population, want the boycott lifted. This is true even of staunchly anti-apartheid liberals. They argue that the boycott has served, and is now actually an obstacle to the further erosion of apartheid in sport by maintaining South Africa's isolation. Only the most extreme right-wingers, totally opposed to any racially-mixed sport, are happy about the boycott.

The HSRC interviewed 6,715 people in towns throughout South Africa, of whom 1,272 were black, 1,507 Indian, 1,536 coloured and 2,400 white. According to the results, only 35 per cent of blacks supported the boycott, against 42.5 per cent of coloureds and 53 per cent of Indians, who emerged as by far the most militant on the issue. More than 94 per cent of whites were against the boycott.

One suggested explanation for the relatively low level of militancy among blacks was their passion for soccer. But this theory took a bit of a knock last year when a tour by a team of highly paid foreign stars was stopped prematurely because several top South African clubs, which are racially integrated but mainly black, refused to play against them. There is still much controversy as to whether their refusal was entirely voluntary and about the degree of intimidation by black activist groups, but the tour organizers were clearly taken by surprise. The Soccerstar, a daily newspaper for blacks, denounced the tour editorially, but an opinion poll it ran among a small sample of its readers showed two out of three in favour of the tour. Black opinion is evidently much more complex than propagandists outside the country are prepared to admit.



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TALKING SHOP STEWARDS

The spectacle of MPs squabbling over how much money they would vote themselves is unseemly. No amount of administrative explanation can mitigate it. The House of Commons is uniquely responsible for the presence of inflation in our society. It is therefore uniquely responsible for anybody feeling the need to "catch up" on the market of rising prices and falling pay packets.

The last full review of the Top Salaries Board recommended a figure of £12,000 for MPs in 1979. The House endorsed that figure while deferring its implementation. To keep pace with inflation that figure would now be £19,500. But why should MPs keep pace with inflation? There is no adequate argument to suggest that it should. Indeed, it would be more seemly for MPs' pay to lag behind inflation, for a number of reasons.

The first is that MPs should be conscious of the degrading effect of rising prices. They should be more conscious than the average wage earner in the country. The second reason is that MPs should not set an example based in the idea that everybody is insulated from inflation. It is an illusion that everybody can be so insulated, but it has taken deep root, and should not be further sanctified by parliamentarians looking after their own interests, when the national interest is so generally disadvantaged by inflation.

The third reason is that the idea of automatic increments for MPs rests only on the arguable notion that their work can be compared to some other level of

official activity in the civil service. The review body's broad criteria for an MP's salary are that it should provide an adequate return for a Member with no other source of income, not be so large that it invites accusations of privilege or contributes a paramount financial attraction to the world of politics, but recognizes that public life has some other elements of satisfaction to it. The review body's guess is as good as anybody's - probably better - but it is a nebulous consideration at the best of times, and guesswork is not an entirely satisfactory basis for the self-determination of pay.

In 1982 the Government and the House accepted a recommendation from the Select Committee on Members' Salaries that Members' pay should be reviewed in the fourth year of each Parliament, and that when shortened Parliaments precluded that, a new review should take place not later than four years after the previous rates of pay had been introduced. It was the Select Committee's intention to see that some automaticity was introduced to protect a new Parliament from being faced with the need to determine MPs' pay at an early stage in its life. However, the June election intervened and made that impossible. The new Parliament cannot be bound by what might have occurred if its predecessor had survived the summer.

Conservative backbenchers cannot divorce the question of their pay from the general approach to public sector pay which is such a central part of this government's economic

strategy. They seem to be arguing that the calculations of the review body, and the assumptions of a previous Parliament about its Members' pay, should take precedence over calculations by the Government about its unfolding policy in the most central and urgent area of public spending and public borrowing. That is the area where the Government can expect early and continuous challenges to its authority.

It would be very damaging to the Government's authority to lose this minor contest as a result of a backbench revolt. It might entitle the Cabinet to claim that it had won the argument. It might also be argued that the total sum of money was tiny. But it would certainly encourage other pressure groups in the public sector with larger claims to see if they could inflict a similar defeat, and in their own way further plunder the public purse.

It appears that Conservative backbenchers - or most of them - might now be able to unite round a compromise solution involving a little more cash on the table today, and a promise that their cherished comparability with an intermediate grade of civil servants, would be achieved by the end of the Parliament. That would be sensible, but it is sad to see evidence that the new intake appears to be as increased already about its pay as are the old lags. If they had wanted to win reputations as successful wage bargainers, perhaps they should have joined the trade union movement.

AN ENGLISHMAN'S HOME

When the grammar schools were to be abolished and comprehensive imposed regardless of local circumstance, the Labour Party was not strong on councils' autonomy and freedom from central interference. After all socialism, it has been argued by the likes of Mr Neil Kinnock, demands the state possess strong central power. Yet Labour likes to dig out copies of John Stuart Mill when it suits, and it suits over the sale to sitting tenants of council housing. Party policy is that tenants may buy unless the local authority says no - meaning tenants have no right to buy at all. Labour went into the election tagged, not unfairly, as the party of municipal socialism. It is as the party of municipal landlordism that it is now failing to recover any sense of representing the popular aspirations of the British people.

Mr Roy Hattersley evidently believes in revisionism by nudges and winks rather than Gaitskillite stands on principle. Thus when he spoke on housing in Sheffield earlier this week he sidled round the issue of right to buy. His formula of right to buy

except where it "harms the community" offers nothing to council tenants throughout the metropolitan areas and inner London, where Labour councils are so often mired in a culture of dependency and actively discourage people from providing for themselves. Yet the need for a fundamental shift in Labour's stance on housing is admitted even by such coming men of the left as Mr David Blunkett, who is full of schemes for shaking tenants free of big brother council (but stops short of true emancipation afforded by home ownership).

Labour cannot sort itself out until it squashes the suspicion sneaking in socialist bosoms that collective provision of housing is somehow better, morally superior - though Labour councillors and MPs of course left council housing a generation ago. Until Labour accepts home ownership as the desired tenure of the majority, until it is prepared to condemn the shoddy tactics of Labour councils in discouraging purchase by delaying house valuations and "losing" letters of application; until then Labour is

in a wilderness of waiting lists, municipal drab and dissatisfied tenants who will no longer vote the ticket.

And until Labour has a housing policy it cannot even begin the assault on the exposed positions of the Government. Mr Ian Gow, the housing minister, deserves time to work himself in. But there must be more than a continuation of the one-armed policy of emphasizing right to buy. There is no evidence yet of adequate consideration of the future role of both public and private rented sectors and, most important, of the minimum volume of construction and refurbishment necessary to meet the growth in numbers of households, especially elderly households. Council housing may become a "residual" but that does not absolve ministers of the need to think long and hard about its financing (council rents have risen dramatically recently), its condition and its occupants. Mr Gow needs an opposition and would no doubt thrive on it; but Labour is not yet fit to provide one.

MR MUGABE'S SPORTING CHANCE

Since the New Year Zimbabwe has received much adverse publicity. There were the massacres by the army of at least a thousand civilians in Matabeleland. Instead of showing a readiness to take the culprits to task or to ponder the lessons of the independence war - that guerrillas can be defeated only by political as well as military means - Zimbabwe's leaders appeared to spin into a whirl of paranoia against the West in general and the Western press in particular. Journalists were expelled or barred or discouraged from doing their jobs properly. The cry went up in Harare that there was a conspiracy to inflame Zimbabwe's shortcomings, ignore the natural and manmade difficulties that were beyond any government's control, and shrug off the very real achievements made since independence three years ago.

Mr Mugabe and his colleagues were wrong about the conspiracy, and merely drew extra unwelcome attention to their country's negative aspects by so crude an overreaction to blurt reporting that is standard in the West but sadly unacceptable to the conformist and authoritarian traditions of modern Africa. But they may be right to feel aggrieved by the thin coverage of Zimbabwe's positive aspects.

Three-quarters of the country is peaceful and prosperous, despite the ravages of a terrible drought that has struck hardest in the troubled area of Matabeleland. This prosperity is the more impressive when set against the rest of black Africa. Neighbouring Zambians and Mozambicans look across the border with undiluted envy. Social services have improved, health care has expanded apace, secondary school enrolment has quintupled, huge wage increases have not quite been overtaken by inflation. It is easy, too, for reporters to forget that, but for the fluke of Lancaster House,

Zimbabwe might by now have been reduced to ashes. Whites who grumble today would have been forced to flee long ago, had the war gone on.

Tribal strife still simmers. The "dissident" gunmen who resent the humiliation of Mr Nkomo and his Zaps are still at large, defying the law and killing white farmers increasingly loath to stay on their farms. The security is not fully under control, but nor is it as palpably and bloodily out of control as it was four months ago. There is no threat to the regime.

Just as importantly, there are signs that the twin curses of drought and world recession are bringing the Government down to earth with a nasty but salutary jolt. The euphoria of spending, the too cosy assumptions of aid flowing in from abroad; the sudden swelling of bureaucracy and party patronage; the prodigious multiplicity of ministerial portfolios: Mr Mugabe knows that all these failings are dangerous; the post-independence honeymoon is belatedly over. A frowning IMF has arrived.

The economic ministers are trying to assert themselves over the social engineers and instant Utopians. The labour minister at last concedes that workers must sometimes be laid off to save manufacturing and mining enterprises from bankruptcy. Some businessmen believe there has been a much needed injection of discipline and realism. Investors, hitherto wary of the strident socialist rhetoric, may take interest again.

All the same, Mr Mugabe is by no means out of the wood. South Africa's willingness to destabilize any neighbour viewed as even mildly hostile will continue to jangle nerves in Harare for many years. Pretoria can be counted upon to exploit the Zaps' problem - psychologically and probably materially too.

Most Zimbabwe whites, whose skills remain essential, are still prepared - just - to "give it a go". They are painfully adapting to the different norms of black Africa and to the fact of no longer being on top. But there are understandable fears. Some senior ministers hold the independence of the judiciary in open contempt: will the courts be forced to bow to political pressures? If some or all of the six white airmen, allegedly tortured before their current trial for sabotage, are acquitted but then retained (as has happened in a disturbing number of other cases) white faith in the new Zimbabwe will be justifiably destroyed.

That is why Mr Mugabe still needs more vigorously to assert the supremacy of the courts above the populism of his party. More importantly, he still needs to seek a political solution to his troubles in Matabeleland. Mr Nkomo waits in London for a hint of reconciliation. The two absolute key Zaps men still languish in detention despite acquittal in court of charges of trying to overthrow the state.

The notorious North Korean-trained Fifth Brigade has been reined in but no offenders appear to have been taken publicly to account, nor has the Government seen fit to acknowledge the brigade's excesses. Mr Mugabe and several ministers have courageously visited Matabeleland to preach national unity. They have tried to woo the tamer end of Zaps into a one-party merger but very much on the terms of the ruling Zaps. Mr Mugabe will have to go further if the Ndebele minority is to be won over. It will, at best, be an arduous process. But he should not fear losing face. In the first years of independence mistakes were bound to be made. They are still outstanding, just by the successes. The true statesman is big enough to admit mistakes and to change course.

Engineering on altered course

From Mr John G. Kapp

Sir, A special general meeting of the Council of Engineering Institutions (CEI) yesterday decided, by 71 votes to seven, to surrender its royal charter to make way for the new Engineering Council (EC). The CEI was a self-regulating body. It was under the control of its member registrants, who elected its governing board directly or indirectly through the engineering institutions. It thereby enjoyed the consent of those who paid for it.

By contrast, the EC is a quango, whose members were appointed by the Department of Industry and are self-perpetuating. Its pump-priming public money runs out next year, when the engineers will be asked for registration fees. Many will object, however, since they will have no say over how their money is spent.

The Government, having stripped them of their rights (of course) have thereby inadvertently relieved them of their duties (upholding the public interest, and paying their registration fees). The EC can only regain their registrants' consent by restoring their present rights.

The Privy Council are considering the EC's charter and by-laws this autumn and could re-empower the registrants, which would bring the engineering profession back into line with other professions and give the EC a chance of succeeding in revitalising industry.

Yours faithfully,
JOHN G. KAPP,
55 Howe Park Road,
Sussex.
July 8.

Treasure hunt through British heritage

From the Director of the Council for British Archaeology

Sir, The price of £59,400 paid at Sotheby's on Monday for an Iron Age harness mount from Hambledon, Buckinghamshire, will undoubtedly boost the metal-detecting "business" as your Sale Room Correspondent implies (report, July 12). It will also be a source of concern and regret for the archaeological community. The despoilation of archaeological sites by self-styled "treasure hunters" for personal gain constitutes a threat to Britain's archaeological heritage that is as serious as that of the outlawed *looteri* in Italy or the *huaceros* of central America.

Successive British governments have declared themselves unable or unwilling to contemplate the introduction of legislation, comparable with that in most countries of the world, to curb what is tantamount to looting of the heritage, but the time has surely come for such action to be taken. Article 3 of the European Convention on the Protection of the Archaeological Heritage, which has been ratified by the British Government, calls upon signatories to "prohibit and restrain illicit excavations"; what is treasure hunting but illicit excavation?

The Hambledon find raises two issues that are especially disquieting. First, the better preserved of the two harness mounts sold on Monday was bought by a Continental dealer, who will require an export licence to take his purchase out of the country. This would seem to be a case to be referred to the Reviewing Committee on the Export of Works of Art in view of the national importance of the object concerned,

and application of the Waverley criteria must surely mean that an opportunity will be given to a public collection in the UK to purchase the piece.

If the British Museum does not wish to acquire it, it would seem unlikely that the Buckinghamshire County Museum (the natural repository for this object) could raise the money needed without considerable outside financial assistance. There is every likelihood, therefore, that this important relic of British prehistory will go abroad, thereby setting a dangerous precedent.

The second disturbing feature is the refusal of the treasure hunters to disclose the exact location of the find spot, since they are proposing to "develop" the site further - in other words, to continue the crude, unscientific excavation of what is manifestly a site of great archaeological importance. They are no doubt prompted in this by the twin fears of possible scheduling of the site as an ancient monument and of "poaching" by other treasure hunters. As a result, archaeological scholarship is impeded, unique evidence is destroyed through ignorance, and yet more of the British heritage is converted into personal gain.

It is time, Sir, that the UK Government recognized its responsibilities towards this heritage, which belongs not to individuals but to the British people as a whole, and brought its protective legislation up to the standard of the rest of the world.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
HENRY CLEERE, Director,
Council for British Archaeology,
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July 14.

Bishops in the living world

From the Bishop of Oxford

Sir, I find Mr Tolhurst's article (July 9), like so much of the advice freely lavished upon bishops, remarkably unhelpful to those of us who are (as they say) in the living situation. Perhaps this is because his translation from the nineteenth to the twentieth century leaves so little room to discuss the latter; but if nowadays they really have in Southwark "no archdeaconary visitations", so "meetings of the clergy - no strengthening of each other's hands", I will eat my mitre.

What bishop is - can afford to be - "merely an administrator"? He is also a preacher, a minister of the sacraments, a pastoral visitor, a counsellor and a publicist. Indeed, most of his administration is interwoven with a pastoral and even sometimes a prophetic role, for these do not simply consist of being nice and making "bold utterances", but of taking decisions or enabling other people to do so. Or would Mr Tolhurst prefer all such administration to be in the hands of those disparagingly called Church House bureaucrats?

As for the bishop's being "a centre of unity", I would remind Mr Tolhurst that when, last year, more than three quarters of the bishops of the Church of England (with quite a wide range of churchmanship among them) wanted to come a bit nearer to that ideal through the Covenant proposals, those who claim to be the heirs of the Tractarians would have none of it - "merely an administrator" was their exercise of authority" in our dioceses which Mr Tolhurst so much admires, and overridden the failure of the General Synod, what a hullabaloo there would have been!

No, there is a lost apostolic role of the bishops, and not of them alone, which has to do with the unchurched millions of our fellow-countrymen and the amount of time we spend on addressing ourselves to their need of the Gospel. And as long as we are taken to task for not attending to the internal affairs of the Church, from General Synod committees to the marital breakdowns in clergy households, we are likely to get on neglecting that role. Yours faithfully,
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Clerical habits

From the Reverend Claude Riches

Sir, Your correspondent, Angela Wheatcroft (July 9), suggests that clergy should receive more training in management techniques and that more of them should be members of the British Institute of Management. May I, as a cleric who is a member of that institute and who has had experience in both large urban and small rural parishes, say that I have seldom had opportunity in the ordinary day-to-day activities of the parish to apply anything more than the most elementary management know-how.

Many of the administrative pressures upon a parish priest come, not so much from the people with whom he lives and works in the parish, but more from those who manage affairs at diocesan level. It is at this level at which there appears to be some confusion about the place of the Church in society and in particular the role of the bishop in the Church.

Certainly I would agree with Ms Wheatcroft that archdeacons and bishops should receive some training in management since most of them have been appointed, no doubt, for qualities of a different kind. Those responsible for appointing them might well remember that old adage, "Great distinction in one field is no barrier to extreme foolishness in another".

Yours faithfully,
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Wayward water

From Professor A. Kennaway

Sir, Gaspard Gustave de Coriolis must be turning in his grave - but which way is the subject of another research - at the irrelevant use of his forces to explain the rotation of water leaving plug holes.

For such forces to impart a controlling rotation, the diameter of the pool would have to be very large, well over the size of the average reservoir. What has been overlooked is that pools of water are rarely completely still; local movement imparted to the water will normally determine the direction of rotation from the exit orifice if that is fully symmetrical.

May I suggest that your readers participate in a mass experiment? Fill a wash basin and stir with a finger for some 10 rotations; leave for varying periods up to 10 minutes and pull the plug and observe the direction of exit rotation. It should correspond to the digital rotation, regardless of latitude or hemisphere. Yours faithfully,
A. KENNAWAY,
Imperial College of Science and Technology,
Department of Mechanical Engineering,
Exhibition Road, SW7.

By thunder!

From Mr John Collinson

Sir, I see from your weather forecast for London and the South-East today (July 14) that we are promised isolated Thursday showers. As we know that Thursday derives from Thor, we can, presumably, expect thunder. What weather can we expect on other days of the week? Yours faithfully,
JOHN COLLINSON,
10 Spring Court,
Church Road,
Hanwell, N7.

Questions of Islamic divorce law

From Professor Noel Coulson

Sir, The proposed reforms in English divorce law, as outlined by your Legal Affairs Correspondent (June 23), will have a particular comparative significance for those who have followed the recent correspondence in your columns concerning Islamic divorce. In as much as the anticipated Matrimonial Causes Bill brings into sharp focus the fundamental, but often overlooked, difference between two systems of matrimonial law.

English divorce law has always been faced with problems simply because the promise in the marriage contract, leaving aside the sacramental aspect of the Church marriage, is one of a lifelong commitment.

An Islamic marriage contract contains no such express commitment. As with all other continuing contractual relationships under Islamic law, either party is basically free to withdraw at will, subject to what, in the light of the terms of the agreement, are considered appropriate equitable remedies for the party suffering injury.

In itself, of course, this Islamic philosophy of contract is very much at variance with the common law notion of the sanctity of contract and the principle of *pacta sunt servanda*, but it does perhaps serve to put the Islamic attitude to divorce in its proper context as a consistent expression of this general philosophy of contract.

Although attention in your columns has centred upon the husband's right to terminate the marriage unilaterally by *talaq*, the basic feature of Islamic divorce law is in fact the right of the spouses to terminate their marriage by mutual agreement outside any court of law.

A Muslim wife, too, has the means, under the law, in effect to terminate the marriage unilaterally. Social conditions and pressures may often deny her this course, but the right is exercised today, under various legal machineries, in countries as far apart as Nigeria, Malaysia, Tunisia and Pakistan.

In proposing to end the wife's "meal ticket for life", English law may now seem to be moving away from enforcing the promise of a lifelong commitment. My point

here, however, is merely to indicate that the source of the problems currently facing English divorce law simply does not exist in the Islamic matrimonial system.

Yours faithfully,
NOEL COULSON,
School of Oriental and African Studies,
University of London,
Malet Street, WC1,
June 23.

From Dr Lucy Carroll Stout

Sir, Professor Coulson (May 24) apparently urges greater liberality on the part of the courts and legislature of this country in regard to recognition of Muslim *talaq* divorces. He argues that "the contract of marriage, its legal effects in terms of the rights and duties of the spouses, and the modes of its dissolution are all integral and interrelated parts of the unity which is [Muslim] matrimonial law".

I assume that orthodox Catholics might well say the same about their view of marriage. By logical implication, Professor Coulson's position would mean that people married according to Catholic rites would not be permitted divorce and would not be allowed to practise contraception.

Syed Aziz Pash (June 22) refers to "the scandal of a British Muslim man and woman divorcing according to British law and strangers according to Islamic law". I see no greater "scandal" here than in the situation where a British catholic man and woman may be strangers under English law but man and wife according to papal law.

A system of legal pluralism, wherein a person's legal rights depend on his/her religion, is productive only of confusion, difficulties, and inequalities. Recognition of "Muslim family law" as the law applicable, in this country, to Muslim citizens and domiciliaries would place Muslim women in a position inferior to that enjoyed by other women: this kind of discrimination against a group of women simply on the basis of their religion threatens all women.

Yours faithfully,
LUCY CARROLL STOUT,
9 City Road,
Cambridge,
June 29.

Sea fever

From Mr Malcolm Holliday

Sir, It was not just the millworkers' annual holidays in Morecambe that gave it the name of Bradford-on-Sea (Alan Hamilton's article, July 7). Long-distance commuting is not new and it was fashionable for the Edwardian mill-owners of Bradford to live in Morecambe for much of the year.

The Midland Railway Company encouraged this travelling. Eighty years ago, there was an express train leaving Morecambe at 7.55 on weekday mornings, running non-stop to Keighley and arriving in Bradford at 9.25. The fast train back left Bradford at 4.55 in the afternoon.

A one-month first-class "residential" ticket for the journey cost £3 10s, or £2 10s third class. Yours faithfully,
MALCOLM HOLLIDAY,
51 Pine Grove,
Batfield,
Hertfordshire,
July 3.

Faulty service

From Mr J. H. R. Gowan

Sir, May I make an appeal, through your columns, for a change in the rules of tennis - the abolition of the second service? Being allowed one free swipe, the first service, with a second to follow - if the first one faults, gives the server an overwhelming advantage. As a result, in a match between two good players each with a strong service, the server tends to win every game till you get to the rather ridiculous "tie-break", described by one commentator as a form of Russian roulette.

Yours truly,
JAMES GOWAN,
1 Syke Ings,
Iwer,
Buckinghamshire,
July 3.

New Labour daily

From Mrs Enid M. Macbeth

Sir, The Times may be "broadly committed to the Tories" (Lord McCarthy, July 9) but I hope Lord McCarthy will not deny that, within this year, The Times has published articles by Michael Foot, Barbara Castle, Gerald Kaufman and Eric Heffer. How impartial can a paper "broadly committed to the Tories" be?

I have been reading The Times for over 60 years since I married your junior correspondent, John Noel

Rate-support grant

From Councillor David Tweedie

Sir, Methinks Mrs Hodge (July 9) doth protest too much. At a time of financial stringency it is more than ever necessary for central government to curb the extravagance of local authorities if local electors are unable to do so.

Here in Hammersmith and Fulham we are as disadvantaged an inner-city area as Mrs Hodge's in Islington, yet our estimates for 1983-84, recently circulated by the Director of Finance, include such items as provision for the expenditure of no less than £670,000 on "children's play", of which £512,000 is made up as revenue estimates for the salaries and wages of those involved in the play arrangements.

Surely it must be a good idea for local authorities to cut back in such areas, which are really not essential, if by so doing inflation is curbed and the currency stays sound.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID TWEEDIE,
Town Hall,
King Street, W6,
July 11.

Macbeth, in Paris in 1919. Its fairness and impartiality are the reasons why I have stuck to it through thick and thin and refused to be beguiled by any of the substitutes offered during the 11-months stoppage.

If Labour launches a paper, I wonder how it will deal with the NGA?

Yours very faithfully,
ENID M. MACBETH,
Fivehouses,
Stock,
by Ingatstone,
Essex,
July 10.

MIR L. WISS...



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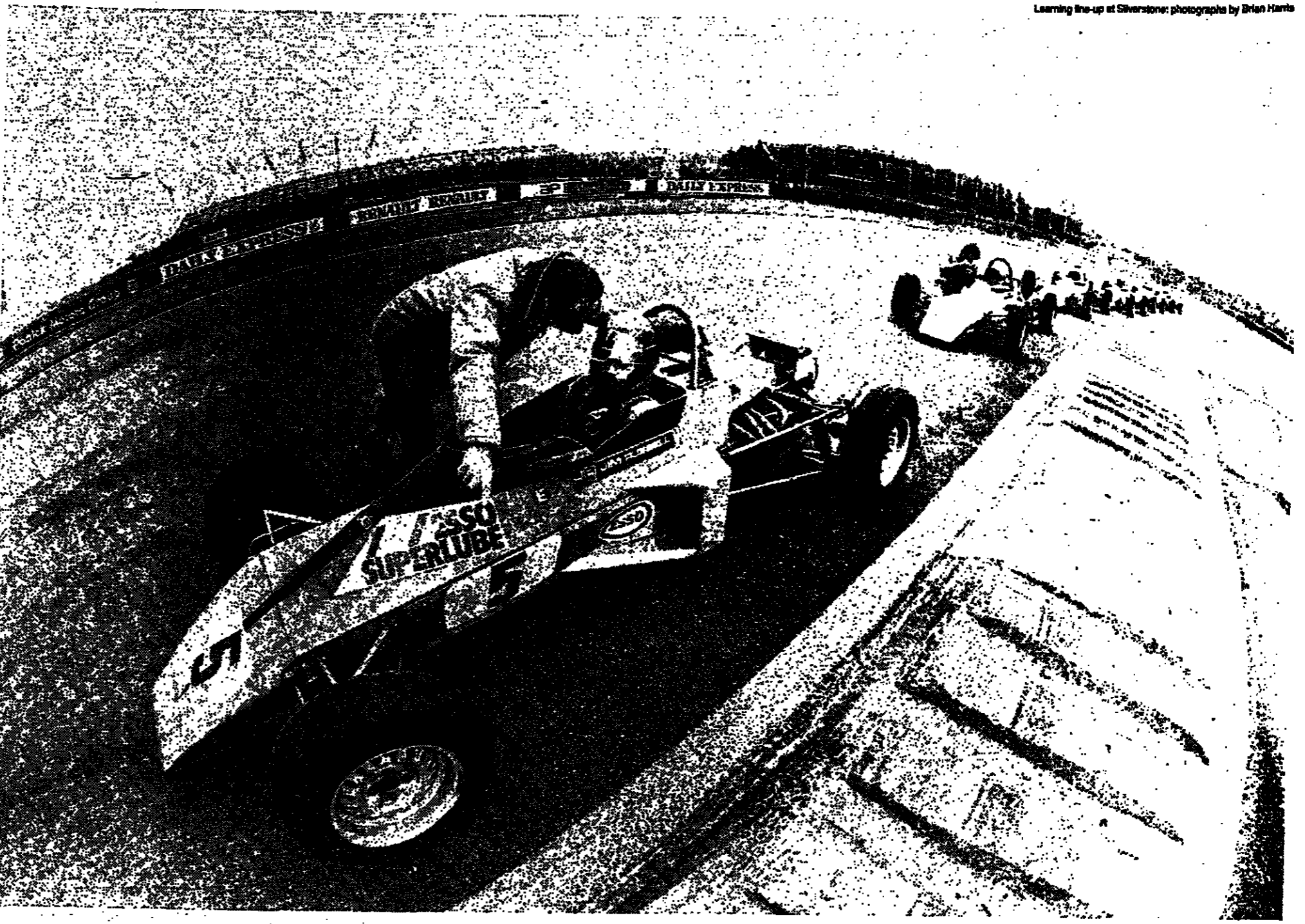
16-22 JULY 1983 A WEEKLY GUIDE TO LEISURE, ENTERTAINMENT AND THE ARTS

After a course of lessons in handling a single-seater at Silverstone, Richard Williams knows what it takes to be in the Grand Prix line-up today

Lapping up a dream



Going through the motions: Derek Smith of the Jim Russell school. "I'm sorry, would you go through all that again?"



Learning the up at Silverstone: photographs by Brian Harris

His wife gave him a straight choice. Either he made his first parachute jump, or he stepped out of the family Datsun and into a single-seater racing car. She was paying. It was his birthday. No one mentioned *Double Indemnity*.

You find all sorts at a motor-racing school. A few weeks later, for example, the birthday boy's opposite turned up. This one was a South American in his early twenties, swarthy handsome, rigged out in a new double-layer flame-proof suit and an expensive silver helmet. His behaviour suggested that it would be only a very short time before the telegram from Enzo Ferrari arrived.

No one who has thought of sampling the experience should miss it

Jim Russell's "introductory trial" costs £37.50, for which the customer receives a briefing on the use of a Hewland racing gearbox and the correct positioning of the hands on the steering wheel, an introduction to the concepts of the "balanced throttle" and the "constant radius", and a sermon stressing the importance of smoothness in all things. These are followed by a chance to spend 40 minutes driving one of the school's Van Diemen Formula Ford single-seaters up and down a marked section of Hangar Straight, turning around cones at either end, accelerating up through the gears, touching perhaps 80 mph on the way.

There a couple of inches off the ground, rush up at a speed to make the adrenalin pump. The tiny, thick-rimmed steering wheel, sensitive to the slightest adjustment, is held in a relaxed stance which is neither the straight-arm posture invented by Dr Giuseppe Farina nor the ferocious crouch of a Froilan Gonzalez. Between the spokes of the wheel is a tilted rev-counter with a red "tell-tale" needle to record missed gear-shifts or simple over-enthusiasm. A couple of inches to the right of the wheel's rim is the stubby gear-lever, operated in a normal H-pattern but with the most economical flicks of the wrist.

The feet disappeared from view upon entry. They must find the three pedals by touch alone: the short but not unkind movement of the clutch, the hard but very fast-acting brakes, the accelerator which delivers power in an immediate and exhilarating surge. The pleasure is in the coordination of all these elements, in getting them to work with a natural flow as they become familiar. The tautness and sensitivity of the tiny single-seater represent a completely new sensation, and an encouraging one: the immediate response is to want to go faster.

The next step is to enrol in the school's course, but even at this early stage discretion is exercised, and some trainees are quietly advised that they would be wasting their time and money. The rest part with a £10 fee, and sign on. A few weeks later, on a grey day more suited to the Nurburgring, we learnt about going round corners. The blackboards came out, and so did the jargon: approaching Copses, the first corner after the pits, keep the car exactly 12 inches from the left-hand edge of the track,

begin braking by the white turn board, change down to third at the 100-yard board, turn into the corner by the small white-painted square, clip the bevelled kerbing on the inside of the turn opposite that grating over there and hold the kerb for four yards, unwind the lock and squeeze on the power, straightening the car up six inches from the left-hand edge on the exit, just by the end of the black repair patch in the tarmac. Got it?

I'm sorry. Would you go through that again? There are four corners on the Club Circuit, and all have to be learned by that kind of technique. A crocodile of cars makes its way through each one, circling back to do it again and again, stopping on the way to receive the comments of the instructors, who stand on the kerbs pointing to the relevant landmarks.

The theoretical part seems at first confusing and disjointed, but after homework with diagrams and maps it all becomes clearer at the subsequent "lapping sessions". Each session is of eight laps, completed in, one hopes, an unbroken sequence: 12 such sessions must be undertaken, along with two sessions on the school's skid-pan at the Snetterton circuit in Norfolk, before a pupil can be passed through to join the closed race meetings at which graduates compete against each other in the school's cars.

The lapping sessions are where the hard work bears fruit and where the serious fun begins. "Engine-speed limits must be rigorously observed: a gentle 3,500 rpm to begin with, rising in 500 rpm increments to an upper limit of 5,500 - a maximum which is also observed in the school races, on penalty of fines and time

penalties severe enough to boot over-reversers out of the honours. Even the rock ape will have to learn that particular discipline.

The instructors invigilate at each corner; their subsequent comments are detailed and critical but, unless there has been a major gaffe, always constructive. "Don't go round Copses as if it were the edge of an old threepenny bit - one smooth application of lock, please." "You missed second at Becketts because you're snatching the gears." "Your line is good at Woodcote - now try feeding the power in earlier and you'll go quicker."

You cannot go really fast without frightening yourself occasionally

species in Formula Ford racing, which is full of youngsters in a hurry to make their reputations. Sooner or later one has to learn how to exploit fitness to beat that sort of driver through the last corner on the last lap, and it might as well be sooner.

Other schools have other methods - at Brands Hatch, for example, pupils start off with an instructor in a standard Fiat X19 sports car before transferring to single-seaters - but all roads seem to lead to Formula Ford, the best low-cost racing formula ever devised. Moving from Formula Ford through

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TEST RUNS

Hunt for new young British talent



James Hunt with pupil

After decades of Italian, German, French and South American dominance, British drivers (and British manufacturers) began to take a grip on Grand Prix racing in the middle 1950s: Stirling Moss, Mike Hawthorn and Peter Collins led the way; among those who kept the flag flying above the winner's podium were Jim Clark, John Surtees and Jackie Stewart.

The last Briton to win the world championship, though, was James Hunt in 1976; and efforts last year, another victory does not seem imminent. At Silverstone today only two other Britons, Derek Warwick and Nigel Mansell, are likely to line up on the grid with Watson, and all three will be at long odds for success.

Hunt has strong views on the development of driving talent. He spent a season in Formula Ford before progressing through the higher divisions, and considers it still the best possible starting point.

"In my day", he says, "you could do a labouring job for a year and, if you were prepared to live on nothing, save enough for a season in Formula Ford. Oddly enough it's even cheaper today, allowing for inflation. "A Formula Ford doesn't have wings and it uses skinny tyres, but it's a real racing car and the standard of competition is very high. The competitors are usually evenly matched. The races can get a bit hairy, but it isn't so fast that it gets terribly dangerous. The circuits they race on have been designed for more powerful cars, so there's some margin for error. But it's so fiercely competitive that people who just want to race as a hobby might perhaps do better to look elsewhere."

Hunt attributes the recent lack of Grand Prix success by British drivers to the division of vital sponsorship money at lower levels. "We do, without doubt, have the strongest club racing in the world, but the money is spread so thinly that it becomes difficult to spot the real talent. When a Brazilian comes over here to make a reputation in British racing" - as Nelson Piquet once did - as Ayrton Senna is doing now - "he brings with him the full benefit of all the available Brazilian sponsorship. That gives him a better car, better preparation and a better chance."

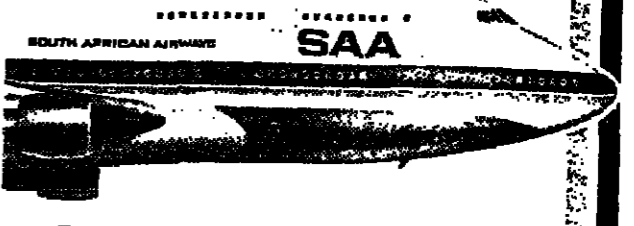
To rectify the imbalance, Hunt is participating in a scheme whose organizers hope to discover and promote the next British star. In the past few weeks the Marlboro Challenge has sifted through more than 1,000 inexperienced hopefuls, giving each of them the chance to drive round a racing circuit in the company of an instructor at a series of 10 test days. The number has now been reduced to 20, all of whom will receive a three-day Jim Russell school course; a final test will identify a winner, who will then receive a

embryonic Grand Prix ace as Laffite, Jarier, Tambay, Arnoux, and Prost. Today, French drivers are generally clustered at the front of the grid.

Hunt has been present at some of the test days, giving advice and encouragement to the horde of 18 and 19-year-olds facing their first experience on a circuit. "The people who are going to make it", he notes, "are the ones prepared to jump in and put their right foot down. The only successful slow learner I've ever seen, the only one who took things steadily and worked up to the pace, was Lauda. The rest were fast from the start - fast in an unfamiliar car, fast on a circuit they'd never seen before. You have to be prepared to give it a real go."

season's full sponsorship in a national Formula Ford championship next year. Such a scheme, on a larger scale, worked brilliantly well in France during the 1960s and 1970s, when the government-owned Elf petrol company sponsored schools, competitions and individual drivers, helping to push the careers of such

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COSTS
A full course at the Jim Russell Racing Drivers' School costs between £211.50 and £257.50, depending on the choice of day and how the lessons are grouped. The course can be completed within three or four months, but each lesson is paid for individually, and there is no obligation to complete the course. As a guide, the four-courses lessons, taken on a single day at a weekend, cost £29; each weekend, costs £22.50. The skid-pan lessons are £25 each. Contact the school at Silverstone Circuit, near Towcester, Northamptonshire. (0327 857572). As a guide to approximate further

outlay for those who decide that a T-shirt, jeans, windwater and training shoes are no longer either safe or appropriate to the desired image, it will cost £200 for a flameproof racing suit; £80 or more for a full-face helmet; £50 for boots; £60 for a balaclava; and £30 for gauntlets. The cost of running a single competitive Formula One car over a full Grand Prix world championship season currently runs at about £25m - less if you are Ken Tyrrell, more if you are Enzo Ferrari.

A WEEKEND BREAK
Those who would like to combine Jim Russell's introductory trial with a break in Oxfordshire can book the Motor Racing Weekend offered by the pleasantly situated and carefully tended Bear Hotel in Woodstock, about 40 minutes from Silverstone. The tariff of £110 per person in summer includes two nights' bed, breakfast and dinner and the racing school fee. The sensations of the track can then be balanced by a gentle walk in the grounds of Blenheim Palace, just around the corner from the hotel, whose address is Park Street, Woodstock, Oxfordshire (0993 311511).

READING
Although it was published more than 20 years ago and is currently out of print, *The Technique of*

Motor Racing by the great Italian driver Piero Taruffi is still acknowledged to be the most profound and comprehensive guide to the principles of race driving. Also recommended, from the same era, are *Sports Car and Competition Driving* by Paul Frère (Bentley, £6.50) and Denis Jenkinson's *The Racing Driver* (also Bentley, £6.50); the former for its practical advice, the latter for a more scientific, psychoanalytical view. Good recent books include the amusing *Competition Driving* by the British saloon-car ace Gary Marshall (Foulsham, £3.75) and *High Performance Driving* (Osprey, £8.95) by the American driver Bob Bondurant.

Mushroom mountains of Turkey's moonland

Robin Laurance visits a remote region where time has stood still

I first went to Turkey on the Orient Express. The train's glorious days, when it sped to Constantinople through a Europe of kings and emperors cocooning its passengers in Victorian splendour, had long since departed. The revived version was yet to arrive.

Cramped, dirty, noisy, smelly and with nothing on board to eat or drink for the three days and nights, the journey very soon gave the lie to Stevenson's assurance that to travel hopefully is a better thing than to arrive. In short, it was murder on the Orient Express. There was, however, one consolation. His name was Gungor, and I met him soon after crossing the Yugoslav border.

Gungor had retired from the Turkish navy, and although as a submariner he had no fear of spending days and weeks untripped thousand leagues under the sea, he was terrified of flying. He thus knew the train well and willingly passed on tips which helped to make the second half of the journey decidedly more tolerable than the first. But more valuable than any of his helpful hints on railway survival was his insistence that on some future visit to Turkey I spend some time in Cappadocia.

Gungor's parting words at Istanbul Sirkeci station beside the Bosphorus were a reminder to visit Cappadocia for a reason which at the time seemed a little obscure. "Cappadocia", he called down the platform, only just making himself heard above all the commotion. "It's nearer than the moon."

I now know what he meant.



Man and beast in Cappadocia: Farming the unyielding, laval earth that is the legacy of the distant Mount Argæus



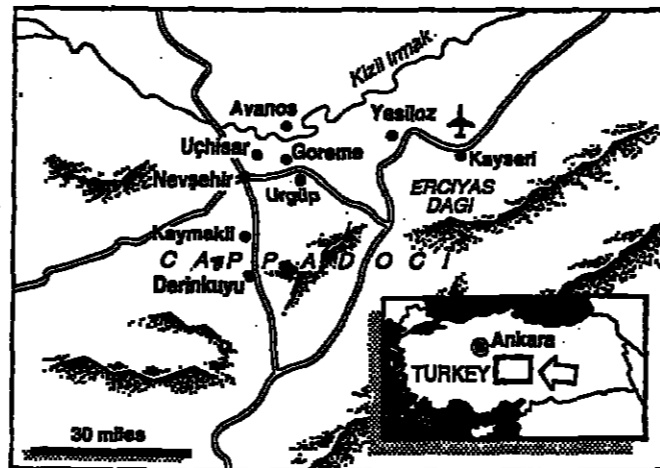
Tower blocks: natural formations turned into homes

Cappadocia looks like the moon. Or rather, I bet the moon looks like Cappadocia. It is a relatively remote region about 160 miles south-east of the Turkish capital, Ankara. More than 2,000 years ago, before the Hittites dominated the area, the volcano of Erciyas Dagi (Mount Argæus of Roman times) hurled its fiery waste across the Cappadocian plain with relentless fury. Centuries passed before it finally burnt itself out leaving the region covered in a thick layer of laval tuff.

With the passing of time, the wind and the rain shaped the soft tuff into this extraordinary lunar landscape: gentle folds and rugged canyons, vast rock cones shaped like giant anthills and others round and phallic - topped some-

times with little hats that turn them into long-stemmed mushrooms; the figures of an invading army, so mythology has it, turned to stone by Allah. But look more closely, and these cones of rock have doors and windows and window-boxes too. And sprouting incongruously from the tops of some of them like the antennae of prehistoric beasts, television aerials announce the arrival - even here - of what must be a strange and alien culture. For this is Cappadocia, home for one of the world's few remaining troglodyte communities.

The early Christians took refuge here burrowing their way into hiding as the Muslim hordes swept across Asia Minor. Huge subterranean settlements - cities, no less - at



Kaymakli and Derinkuyu became their secret, undisturbed home for decades. A labyrinth of passages connects halls, rooms, burial chambers on 10 different levels. The deeper you explore the colder it gets; and the more you think about the people living and dying here without ever seeing the light of day and constantly living in fear of being discovered, the more you shiver.

When at last it was safe, the Cappadocians surfaced again and built their new rock homes and churches under the wide Anatolian sky. St Paul, born 160 miles south at Tarsus, included the Cappadocians in one of his Epistles. At Goreme fine examples of the churches remain today. There is the

church of the snakes - the fresco, a little faded but still well preserved in outline, shows St George slaying the dragon. In the Dark Church the paintings depict the life of Christ. In the refectory a long table and benches have been carved from the rock.

Outside again in the twentieth century, life for the Cappadocians goes on much as it did many hundreds of years ago. There is electricity of course, television, transistor radios and refrigerators. Where crude holes provided the doors and windows of earlier rock homes, today there are locks on the doors and glass in the windows. But the comforts of life remain few. Horses and donkeys provide the transport;

man and beast drink from the same village tap. It is a hard life on a land that demands much but yields little. Former inhabitants turned areas of the rock face into pigeonholes to collect the guano for fertilizer. Although the pigeons are still very much in evidence today (you can see them above the village of Uçhisar) the birds have flown and alternative fertilizers are hard to come by.

The Cappadocians for all their hardships are a warm and welcoming people as are the vast majority of Turks I have met on numerous visits to their country. In Yesiloz I lunched cross-legged on the floor of a cave with a farmer and his wife. We ate spiced meat balls from a large open pan placed between us by the daughter of the family. There was yogurt, too, and bread freshly baked in a small rock oven, and milk still warm from the goat.

In the valley beneath the village, a family was working together harvesting their potato crop. As I watched, one of the women - she was of ample proportions, and her eyes and nose were the only parts of her not swathed in green and mustard cloth - left her work to kneel in the soft earth. At intervals she would bend forward, her forehead on the ground between her hands. Outside the mosque in Urgup it was the men who were preparing themselves for worship, meticulously washing

hands, feet and face. On the other side of the dried-up stream a small crowd had gathered round an old man who had brought his oow to sell in town. The animal was prodded here and there as the cluster of cloth caps grew and the haggling began. The four old gentlemen in rather tattered coats who were sipping black tea from the small glasses in the shade of the solitary village tree had seen it all before.

Further down the street, at the entrance to a small shop, a young boy who cannot have been more than 10 years old was turning an onyx vase on a small lathe. The little shop was full of vases, bowls, candlesticks and perfectly shaped onyx eggs.

His skill was no more nor less than that of the two girls who

were weaving a carpet on a huge vertical frame across the street from the carpet shop in Avanos. They worked without a sound, the silence broken only the click, click of backgammon pieces from the cafe next door.

One evening, I made again for Uçhisar and climbed to the ruins of the Byzantine castle. The view is spectacular. To the left the rock flows in waves of pink and grey and pink. Immediately below, the cones and pinnacles reach up to touch you, while beyond the rock begins to glow orange in the evening sun. There was the occasional clatter as the carts headed home after another long day in the fields. Drifting across this strange and beautiful valley came the haunting call of the muezzin beckoning the faithful to the last prayers of the day.

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The hotels in Cappadocia are centred mainly in Urgup and Nevsehir. Some of the hotels have swimming pools. The average price for a double room at the best hotels in the area is about £38 a night. The Turkish Tourism Office has a list. Cappadocia is dry and sunny all the year round. Summers are very hot; the winter can be very cold. Spring and autumn are probably best for a visit. Visas are not required by UK passport holders. Most hotels will change travellers' cheques.

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TRAVEL/2

Edited by Shona Crawford Poole

Truth meets myth in the heart of Arizona



Have gun, will travel: Old Tucson, set for countless Westerns and tourist attraction for eastern palefaces

In Josephine Tussard's wax museum in Old Tucson the shiny images of Wyatt Earp, Bat Masterson, James Stewart and John Wayne stare rigidly at each other...

Peter Black sets out to bring back the West, dead or alive

the gunfight at the OK Corral are buried, to pay my respects to the dead whose names are so neatly incised in the restored tombstones...

stand in that total silence, and ponder. The castle, now a ruin, was originally a 20-room palace...

their usual magic, making everybody very genial. "You're just in time. Another two minutes I'd have been closed", smiled the woman who managed the restaurant section of the Golden Hills country club in Mesa...

"Did you enjoy your visit?" asked the doorman when we left Guillermo's Mexican restaurant in Phoenix. We had only been inside 10 minutes for a drink.

To be among such good-natured people is a terrific tonic for the British. I could feel the general mood working wonders for my face, lightening it from the habitual brooding look that so disconcerts strangers who meet it in enclosed spaces, such as lifts.

"How're you doing?" "Fine." "That's great." "Have a good day." "You too, d'ya hear?" "Enjoy the rest of your stay." "You bet."

The best times of year to visit the far West are early spring and early autumn, when the weather is gorgeous and not too hot. The cheapest low-season excursion air ticket, with British Airways, British Caledonian or Pan Am, costs \$2401 return to Tucson by way of Dallas.

The average daily hotel rate in the area is \$30.50 per room, a little less than \$250. Much to be recommended are the motels, at about \$31 a day. Car hire is competitive. Hertz offers its See America package from \$139 a week with unlimited mileage.

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COLLECTING

Unadorned curves of the feminine form

Betty Joel is a name in English furniture design of the 1920s and 1930s that has never received proper attention. Her work is still frequently dismissed by her contemporaries as unpleasantly chic or even kitsch...

Sometimes the reassessment of a "new" designer hardly justifies the research, but in the case of Betty Joel the main question seems to be rather why her work has been neglected for so long. She designed furniture which was an astute mixture of elements of European Modernism and the luxury of French Art Deco...

Betty Joel was born in 1896 in China where her father, Sir James Stewart Lockhart, was an administrator. Before the First World War she met and married a young naval officer, David Joel, who had an amateur interest in carpentry and furniture-making.

These early designs, known as "Token" furniture because they were made of teak and oak, they described as "exceedingly simple", they were indeed, and it may have been the aesthetic amateurishness of this early period which Betty Joel's contemporaries remember today.

Photographs show the Knightsbridge gallery, which consisted of several rooms set out like real interiors and a special picture gallery where she exhibited works by artists such as Marie Laurencin, Raoul Dufy and Henri Matisse.

Betty Joel Ltd sold a range of textiles from such firms as Radley and the progressive Edinburgh Weavers; rugs (she was one of the first to exhibit rugs by de Silva Bruhns, one of the instigators of the geometric Modernist rug); smaller items such as silk scarves, and, of course, her own furniture.

Where other British designers who were influenced by the Bauhaus or Le Corbusier tended to use inexpensive materials, such as plywood, Betty Joel



Design for living: Above, the interior of "Mary Manners" showroom, furnished and decorated by Betty Joel, 1930; below, Sycamore bedroom suite, 1929



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capitalized on the importation of exotic woods such as those publicized by the Board of Trade at the British Empire Exhibition of 1934. The employment of contrasting woods and beautiful veneered surfaces added a richness of effect to her use of contrasting curves and parallels. Purist critics, however, remained sceptical.

By the 1930s the Joels had their own factory on the Kingston by-pass where they employed about 50 craftsmen. The furniture is superbly made, with the finest quality materials; superfluous ornament was eliminated and pieces are easily

to make excuses for her furniture. Her designs were both practical and attractive and she was never short of customers during the 1930s. She worked not only for individuals such as Winston Churchill, Lord Mountbatten or a Harley Street eye surgeon, but also for the Savoy group of hotels and many exclusive showrooms and boardrooms.

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EATING OUT

Spaghetti with the stars at Signor Baffi's

As central London becomes increasingly clogged with tourists and visitors, we continue our occasional excursions to some of London's less populous suburbs



Signor Baffi, 195 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, Hertfordshire (853 8404). Open noon-3pm and 7pm-11pm Mon-Fri 7pm-11.30pm Sat. The autographed photos on Signor Baffi's wall - John Wayne, Sophia Loren, Cilla Black - testify to the restaurant's key position between EMI's Elstree film studio and Central Television's southern base.

trying for a change, and the seafood salad, which is an occasional daily special, is delicious and comprehensive at £2.80. In fact, it's best to check the specials blackboard first for sea-food alternatives to the veal and chicken dishes on the menu.

tender, breadcrumbed escalope Milanese (£3.90). The wine-list has a particularly good Frascati (Fontana Candida '81) at £5.40 per bottle. Bubbles Wine & Cocktail Bar, 209 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, Hertfordshire (853 5098). Open 11am-2.30pm and 5.30-10.30pm (11pm Fri, Sat) daily.

tainment industry, gather in large numbers at Bubbles. Ostensibly a wine-bar, Bubbles nevertheless has the raucous, macho atmosphere of an East End pub - women customers are unlikely to escape without a whistle or a leer from the gold-chained, Lonsdale-shirted, Nike-shod lads, who ignore the wine and cocktails in favour of draught beer. Harrison Ford would love it.

The food on offer is strictly no-frills fuel - pizza and jacket potato (£1.50), burger and chips (£1.75) or T-bone steak (£3.80) featured the luncheon menu. Variety was added with a reasonable moussaka, strangely laced with courgettes (£2.25), and a charismally presented, though otherwise palatable, veal escalope in a garlic and tomato sauce. Half-bottles of a modest Muscadet (Robert Noel) are £1.75 with Italian house wine at a rather cheery £4.50.

Relief from the thunderous lock-room atmosphere may be found downstairs and I'd guess it must be quieter and more approachable at weekends, though not on Tuesday or Thursday evenings when there's a disco to contend with.

Stan Hey

Night out at an inn up on the downs

It is a fine feeling to be driving out of London after the rush on a sunny Friday evening, to be bowling down the Kingston by-pass where, in their 1930s heyday, the Toby Jug and the Ace of Spades were roadhouses in vogue with the sports-car set.



Peaceful pastures: Box Hill, Surrey, from the station

The Star at Dorking is a pub that 10 years ago was worth driving from London to visit for a seafood supper on a hot summer's night. But its glittering brass and parchment-shaded table lamps have moved aside to make way for an armless fruit machine that lets out yelps of electronic pain.

of fish: on this hill the top is covered with box, whence its name proceeds, and there is other wood but its all cut in long private walks very shady and pleasant and this is a great diversion to the Company and would be more frequented if nearer Epsom town."

I stayed at the Burford Bridge too, on a Trusthouse Forte weekend bargain break. It cost £35.50 each a night with full breakfast, three-course dinner with coffee, a glass of sherry on arrival and a service and VAT included. A big swimming pool is not the latest of the twentieth-



century additions and improvements to this well placed, well kept watering hole. The £11.75 dinner menu included in the weekend package price offers a choice of three first and main courses, followed by an ice, cheese or a pudding from the trolley. Specialities of the month boost the generous choice offered on the à la carte menu, with prices at around £10 for a main dish.

The kitchens seemed to have overreached themselves in offering elaboration beyond their skills, and meat was more successful than fish.

To work off the good food there is always the walk to the top of Box Hill. For more sedate exercise visit Clendon House near Guildford, Palladian home of the museum of the Queen's Royal Surrey Regiment, or Polesden Lacey, the regency villa at Bookham. Both are National Trust properties. If collecting in the here and now has more appeal, the antique shops of Dorking are as good a place as any to browse on a Saturday morning.

Shona Crawford Poole The Burford Bridge Hotel, Dorking, Surrey GU5 9RR (0306 884561).

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VALUES

Amid the muddle of facts and fads, diet meals and fitness mean big profits: Beryl Downing weighs up the evidence

Eschewing the fat to make dieters lean

DiETING makes you a fatty? I think it makes you all fatty. How else could some of the slimming-product manufacturers get away with the rubbish they sell under the carefully worded compromise of a body beautiful?

The answer is that the desperate dieter will try anything in search of the magic formula. Of course, we know that the right balance of eating and exercise is the only way to control the flab. But some of us are greedy, some of us are sloths and some of us think life is too short to deprive ourselves of all things nice all the time.

At this time of year, when Torbay is twitching about topless torsos, we suddenly realize that it is almost too late to take off anything on the beach apart from our watches. We look around the occupants of the 8.45 into Waterloo and wonder whether an amplification of accountants or a burgeoning of brokers is what we want to see stripped to the decimal point on some foreign shore. Particularly if we happen to be one of them.

The formula, for the past 10 years, has been the fast-fade diet, the ready-calculated meal replacement that will rapidly shrink our food requirements and set us on the paths of righteousness. But the slimming market is changing and the demand is for low-calorie real food rather than for meals in a glass.

Carnation, for instance, who were among the first to produce a meal substitute - Slender in several flavours, which is still the top-selling slimming food in chemists - are now producing low-calorie soups, chocolate drinks and desserts, foods more appropriately found on supermarket shelves.

One of the newest products is Engren's 3 Day Slim Pack - nine complete calorie-controlled meals to which you simply add skimmed milk and wholemeal bread. No portions to weigh, no opportunities to cheat. It seemed a brilliant idea. Each day's packet provides, for breakfast, a muesli-type cereal plus powdered orange to be made up into a drink; for lunch, a flavoured-milk drink; and for the evening meal, a powdered soup, a meaty snack and a fruit-flavoured jelly; plus, for moments of weakness, "flim" bars which had a taste and texture that were anything but amusing.

Not one of the products was, to my taste, particularly palatable, but it was the canned meat "snacks" to eat on toast - mince and noodles, savoury snack with mushrooms, peas and onions - that I found totally inedible. As I have not eaten any canned products for five years I thought I was a bad judge and enlisted the help of other tasters. These were the results:

- Deb (student) tried all three. She did not like the combination of mince and noodles and thought the meatballs too smooth and unlike meat. The steak and onions looked better but had a very oniony taste. All were satisfyingly filling but, she said, had an unfortunate appearance of cat food.
- Christie (fashion assistant) tested the mince and noodles. There was a large amount of the snack and it seemed inappropriate as a topping for toast. The taste was savoury-sweet with the bread - like a savoury pancake - but something that looks like dog meat is not a pleasant experience.
- Liz (mother of a three-year-old) tried all three. "Steak and onions passable, the others unbelievably awful. I couldn't



Lunchtime instructors (left to right): Joanne Bryan, Lesley Mowbray, Claire Waxler, Lesley McLaughlin, Mandy Clausson, Simone Shine

In-house physical jerks for office wrecks

I had to be Canonized before I joined the believers. For years I have resisted the awful truth that exercise is good for you - until Geoffrey Cannon put the point so forcibly in Dietsing Make You Fit. I almost bought a pair of jogging shorts.

That, however, would certainly have frightened the horses, so I looked around for an exercise class. The smart sort was not for me - classmates who are young and lithe enough

to wear shiny leotards I can do without. I wanted a group that doesn't make me feel old or inadequate. I found it rather unexpectedly at the London Central YMCA.

Their latest exercise programme is called Introduction to Fitness and is intended for people who have not exercised for some time - or ever. Each participant is taught just what to expect of different types of exercise.

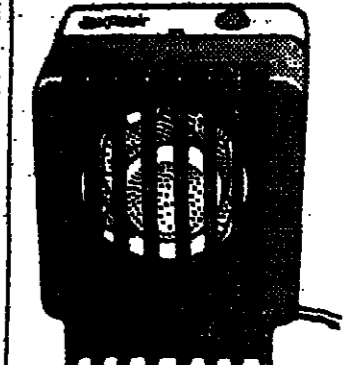
What is more, you don't have to rush off in your lunch hour or miss the last train home because of your fitness programme. The YMCA will supply qualified physical education specialists who will visit groups of office workers at their own premises.

At the moment this facility is available only in London, though the YMCA are hoping to organize a national programme. Meanwhile branches throughout the country offer a variety of exercise classes at their own premises. The London Central branch in Great Russell Street, WC1, has particularly splendid leisure facilities including squash, badminton, sauna and solarium, with classes in aerobics, dance, yoga, circuit training and swimming. Most activities are included in the membership fee of £93 a year (£63 "off peak", which is £2m to 4.30pm Mondays to Fridays and 10am to 10pm Saturdays and Sundays). Telephone 637 8131 for more information.

Which is supposed to limit the appetite. The dose is two teaspoons of chocolate-flavoured granules taken with half a pint of water half an hour before a meal. It smells like cocoa powder - you don't chew it, so taste is irrelevant - and washing down dry granules is slightly difficult, but I found the result was indeed a reduction in the misery of emptiness. The product is made of milled gum (the ingredient used in soups and ketchups for

thickening) which expands inside more than any other fibre and can have similar laxative effects on people who are not used to a high-fibre diet. Prefsil is available for about £2.95 for a week's supply, taken three times a day (although you do not have to take it at breakfast if you are not normally hungry then). Names of chemists who stock it can be obtained from Norgine, 116-120 London Road, Headington, Oxford (0865 750717).

Keeping our customary cool has not been easy lately. In its inimitable British way the air conditioning in our offices cannot cope with extreme temperatures ("It's the heat, you see", said the engineer helpfully when the thermostat broke down for the fourth time). So I am particularly grateful to Xpelair for producing a neat electric desk-top fan.



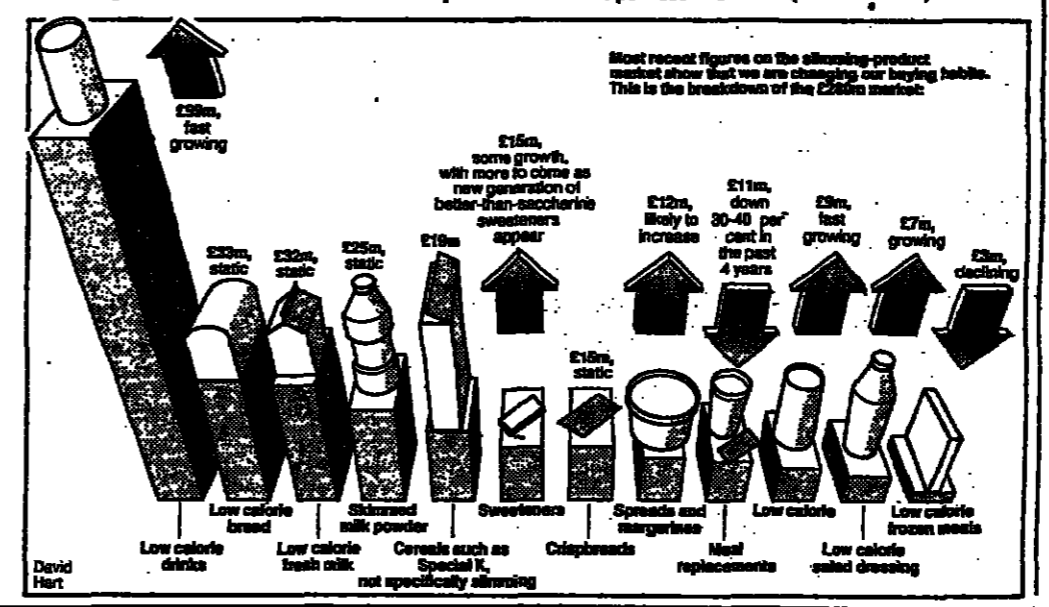
What's the betting that the minute you plan a picnic the weather will break? I have been testing a most ingenious way of being forewarned - the water barometer, illustrated here. It is hand-blown and made in Sweden to a thirteenth century design. The bottle is filled with water through the spout until it is above the point at which the spout joins the body. High pressure forces the water in the bottle, low will make the level in the spout rise, and in really thundery conditions it drips out.



Other ways of producing your own cold front - a new range of cool cologne sticks by Taylor of London; a touch on the temples or wrists or forehead gives an instantly ice-cool sensation - very refreshing. They come in English Rose, Lily of the Valley, Fraise or English Lavender at £1.55 from John Lewis, Oxford Street, London W1, and at major branches of Boots. Those who like a classic cologne without a flowery scent may prefer the 4711 cologne stick, £1.79 from Boots.

If you feel like plunging your face into a mountain stream, try an atomizer of Evian mineral water. It sprays a very fine mist of spring water which, however hot the temperature outside the can, seems wonderfully cool by contrast. Called the Evian Brunisator, it is also used as a cleanser for skin care, £3.75 (5oz) or £4.75 (14oz) from Harrods and Harvey Nichols in London and John Lewis Brent Cross and branches.

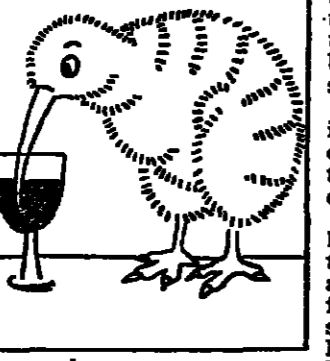
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DRINK

Stylish whites from the Kiwis

The day that I realized New Zealand was not just two islands in the south Pacific churning out a constant stream of kiwi fruit, frozen lamb and butter but was also an important wine-producing country was just over two years ago. The occasion was a tutored tasting conducted by John Avery (a well-travelled Bristol wine merchant) for a keen group of wine hacks, known somewhat unoriginally as the Scribblers, who met once a month to taste and discuss their favourite subject.



Just as well that I was impressed with that kiwi Gewürztraminer, for four months later at another blind tasting, especially nerve-racking for the results were going to be splashed all over one of the Sunday magazines, you popped the same wine. What gave it away was not its spicy peppery Alsace-style bouquet, but its rich full palate, with distinct New World overtones: it was simply not austere enough to be Alsatian, and yet its high acidity immediately ruled out the Cape and California. It had to be that extraordinarily good Gewürztraminer from New Zealand that I had tasted in the spring.

The reason why New Zealand produces wines like the Gisborne Gewürztraminer that are much closer to the European model than those other hot New World areas of Australia, California and South Africa, is simply New Zealand's cool temperate climate. At no point on either the north or the south island are you ever more than 110 kilometres from the sea, and the most important kiwi vineyards make full use of the beneficial maritime influences. Like the wine industries of those other New World coun-

IN THE GARDEN

The pride of smoky London town

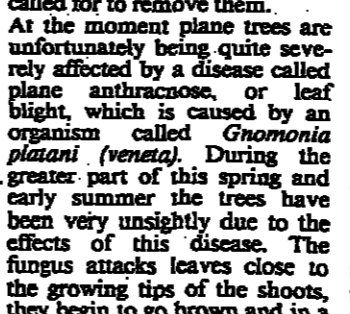
The commonest tree in London is almost without doubt the London plane. Its botanical name is not fully established, and it is seen both as *Platanus x hispanica* and *Platanus x acerifolia*. There are also a number of forms.

The reason for the presence of so many London planes in our towns and cities is that one of the attributes of the genus is its ability to withstand a polluted atmosphere. Since the Clean Air Act, the atmosphere and around our great cities has much improved, and there is no longer the need to plant the plane in such large numbers. But there is every reason to continue to plant such a noble tree wherever there is space.

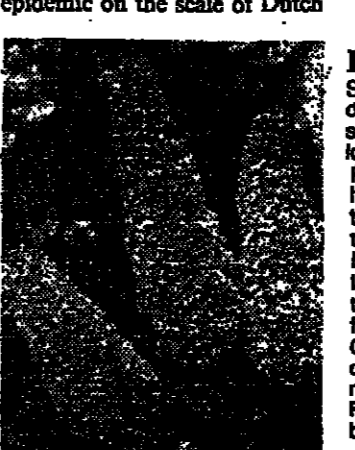
It is generally accepted that *Platanus x acerifolia*, is a cross between *Platanus occidentalis* and *Platanus orientalis*, although this has never been fully proved. It is a big tree, needing a lot of room to develop, it is very vigorous and reaches maturity quickly. It has a well-branched crown, with strong but airy branches, which makes it attractive in winter as well as summer. Leaves can differ considerably from specimen to speci-

men and even from branch to branch. A close investigation of the leaves on a single tree will show enormous variation. As a rule they have three or five lobes and measure at least five long, with a somewhat wider span - often as great as 9in. Young vigorous trees can have much bigger leaves than this. In parks and gardens, the leaves in winter are of little value, as they are difficult to cut down. They are leathery to touch and should be shredded in some way to break the tissue in order to set up rot to make compost. Leaves which have been stacked out of the way, have been found to be fully intact, without the leaf blade itself having deteriorated in any way, some years later.

Another striking feature of this tree is its bark, which peels off usually during the spring, to leave the exposed under-bark, almost yellow in appearance. This phenomenon is often more apparent following vigorous growth the previous spring. The bark peels or is blown off by high winds leaving long lengths scattered beneath the trees. Numerous fruit balls are produced, in the autumn which hang on the trees until the



spring, when the achenes are released to the air, to be spread by the wind. They can cover the ground and regular sweeping is called for to remove them. At the moment plane trees are unfortunately being quite severely affected by a disease called plane anthracnose, or leaf blight, which is caused by an organism called *Gnomonia platani* (veneta). During the greater part of this spring and early summer the trees have been very unsightly due to the effects of this disease. The fungus attacks leaves close to the growing tips of the shoots, they begin to go brown and in a



Buddleias are colorful, fast-growing shrubs which are reasonably easy to grow in any garden. Buddleias come in a variety of forms and colours, and they have another delightful attribute - they attract butterflies.

Pruning fruit trees Summer pruning of fruit trees is done to check vigour and to allow sunlight and air to get to the buds lower on the stem. Prune when the shoots have stopped extending but the tree is in full leaf. This can be any time from late July to August. Leaders are not touched, but laterals are reduced by up to half their length; there should always be four or five leaves left on the shoot. Often arising from the laterals are other side shoots; it is advisable to reduce these to about two leaves. Fruiting buds are formed at the base of the pruned laterals.

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Garden pinks Show pinks like a soil which has a pH above 6.5. Contrary to what many people say, they will grow quite happily in soils just on the acid side of neutral. A well-drained soil in good heart is required. They do not need a very rich soil but will not do well in a poor one. Pinks flower from early summer and can be producing flowers up to the onset of the colder weather. Many will have a single flush and then flower sporadically; others will go on throughout most of the summer and autumn. Plant new plants in September or wait until about March. Pinks do not like root disturbance over the winter period. Choose an open site, as they do not like shade. Dig one spilt deep and add well-rotted farmyard manure or compost. Try not to bury any of the pink stems, but plant only as deep as they were in their previous position. Firm planting is essential. Cuttings can be taken now and into August. Select side shoots and insert into a sandy mixture in a frame. Shade, if the sun becomes too strong. Seed can be used; it is easy and produces good results. There are many varieties. My favourites are: "Doris", which has

Pink Caryophyllus fluestris plummaris salmon-pink flowers with a red eye; "Constance", also salmon-pink; "Cherryripe", cherry pink; "Mark", crimson; and "Thomas", red with a crimson eye. Plants in pots usually cost about £1 each, but bargains may be found.

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REVIEW Video cassettes

Vintage musicals to start a home-viewing library; tales and tips from a royal photographer, model meals and kitchen-sink dramas

On the cut-price band wagon

Sign (1958) 111min Show Boat (1951) 104min The Band Wagon (1953) 108min On the Town (1949) 94min Easter Parade (1948) 100min Cat on a Hot Tin Roof (1958) 105min (All MGM/JUA Home Video, £24.95 or less each)



Dolls and guys: Gene Kelly and friends go On the Town; Maurice Chevalier thanks heaven for Leslie Caron in Gigi

Open and shutter case with Lord Lichfield

Lichfield on Photography by Patrick Lichfield (part one, 55min, £25; parts two and three, 85min, £27) PolyGram Video

corresponded to a place on the steps where they were to stand. Sadly the spectacle of Europe's leading family scurrying about looking for their appropriate numbers was not recorded.

is never patronizing and he assumes a degree of intelligence and enthusiasm in his viewer. Lichfield's aim is to make the aspiring photographer think about what constitutes a good photograph and then to introduce him to the equipment needed to achieve it.

Four principles form Hedgecoe's perception of the world - colour, shape, tone and pattern - and he sets out to demonstrate them by looking at activities such as the circus, white water canoeing and motor cycle stunt riding from candid and unusual viewpoints.

Watching culinary alchemy at work

Madhur Jaffrey's Indian Cookery (120 min) BBC Enterprises, £41.95 The Observer Guide to European Cookery by Jane Grigson (80 min) Home Video Productions, £29.50

fortune, watch Jane Grigson. The production of the Observer tape is a bit pedestrian in its sophisticated children of the television age accustomed to a slick variety of angles, shots and editing.

To create a variety of authentically Indian flavours at home I still need recipes, and Madhur Jaffrey's are the best I have found.

The video Madhur Jaffrey's Indian Cookery is taken from the television programmes which were a model of how to teach cooking on the box.

The Observer Guide to European Cookery was the only other tape in this selection that made me impatient to stop watching and start cooking.

The cringe-making pretentiousness of Robert Carrier's Food, Wine and Friends is curiously counteracted by the 22-carat charm of the glamorous ham himself.

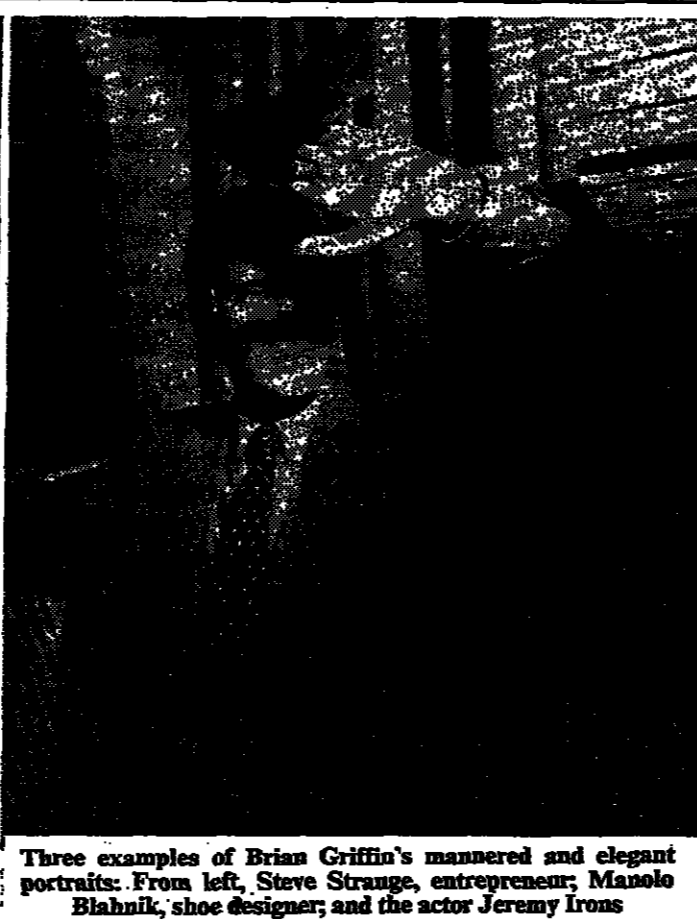
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PREVIEW Galleries

Images from shadows

Chiaroscuro - the balance of light and shade - is a term mainly reserved for painting but which aptly describes the work of the young British photographer Brian Griffin.



Three examples of Brian Griffin's mannered and elegant portraits. From left, Steve Strange, entrepreneur; Manolo Blahnik, shoe designer; and the actor Jeremy Irons

Critics' choice

THAT'S SHELL - THAT IS! Barbican Art Gallery, Barbican Centre, London, EC2 (838 4141). Until Sept 4, Tues-Sat 11 am-7 pm.

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LONDON BY NIGHT The Photographers' Gallery, 5 & 6 Great Newport Street, London WC2. (240 1969) Tues-Sat 11am-7pm. Until Sept 3

DRURIDGE BAY Side, Newcastle (0632 222208). Until Aug 14, Tues-Fri 11am-6pm, Sat-Sun 11am-5pm. It is the Side Gallery's policy to collect photographs of life and landscape in the North-East.

WOZA ALBERTI Curator (930 3216) Mon-Fri at 8.30pm; Sat at 8.30pm and 9.15pm

SPITALFIELDS MARKET Museum of London, London Wall, London, EC2 (800 3895). Until Aug 7, Tues-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2-6pm

PREVIEW Theatre

Thrusting, parrying and cutting a dash

In the rehearsal room at the Barbican Theatre, a rapier flew through the air and skidded past one of the duellists.

Critics' choice

AS YOU LIKE IT Open Air, Regent's Park (688 2831) Today at 2.30pm and 7.45pm; July 18-20 at 7.45pm; matinee July 20 at 2.30pm.

Critics' choice

MR CINDERS Fortune (836 2238) Mon-Fri at 8pm; Sat at 5.30pm and 8.45pm; matinee Thurs at 3pm

Critics' choice

BEETHOVEN'S TENTH Vaudeville (836 9988) Until Aug 13, Mon-Sat at 8pm; matinee Wed at 2.45pm, Sat at 4.30pm

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Out of Town

BIRMINGHAM: Repertory Studio (021 236 4465). Annie Widdler by Arnold Wesker. Until July 25, Mon-Fri at 7.45pm, Sat at 8 pm

CHICHESTER: Festival Theatre (0243 781312). Time and the Conways by J.R. Prentiss. Today at 2.30pm, Tues, Wed and Fri at 7.30 pm.

MANCHESTER: Royal Exchange (061 8398833). The Government Inspector by Nikolai Gogol. Until Aug 6, Mon-Wed at 7.30 pm, Thurs-Sat at 8 pm; matinee Wed at 2.30 pm and Sat at 4.30 pm.

WINDSOR: Theatre Royal (95 53888). Happy Family by Gilles Corcia. Until July 23, Mon-Fri at 8 pm, Sat at 4.45pm and 8 pm.

WORTHING: Comaught (0903 35533). The Queen Came By by R. F. Deiderfeld. Last performance today at 3pm and 8pm.

CHARLEY'S ALUNT Aldwyth (836 8448) Mon-Fri at 7.30pm, Sat at 5pm and 8.30pm; matinee Wed at 2.30pm

DAISY PULLS IT OFF Globe (437 1592) Mon-Sat at 8pm; matinee Wed at 3pm, Sat at 5pm

PETERBOROUGH: Key Theatre (0733 52438). Here's a How Do. Dool by John Judd and Paul

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PREVIEW Films



Tearing off a strip: Incensed at finding no buttons on his shirt, Superman (Christopher Reeve) takes revenge on his tailor; Clark Kent doffs his hat



Poppin' out: Olsen and Johnson with Martha Raye

Malice and mayhem in the slipstream of a supervandal

"You can't think of a successful formula", says Ilya Salkind, executive producer of Superman III, "because that leads to complacency. And complacency is more dangerous to Superman than Kryptonite."

that a successful formula exists: Ilya Salkind and his buccaneer father Alexander would scarcely suffer the cost, squabbles and lawsuits of their multi-million-dollar extravaganzas. If the audience response was doubtful, Superman III, made at Pine-wood for \$42m, thus shares most of the ingredients that helped its predecessors at the box office.

catastrophes and special effects engulf the screen. But the Salkinds' formula is far from rigid: all three adventures juggle ingredients and shift emphases. Richard Lester, director of Superman II and III, claims no special affinity with comic-strip fantasy and prefers rooting both comedy and characters in an identifiable social reality (witness the Musketeer films).

They are veterans of all three films, though their script for the first Superman (1978) emerged with most of its playful humour ironed out by a later recruit, Tom Mankiewicz. For Superman II (1980), the comedy edged back in; now it almost dominates the spectacle. Ex-

posed as an ugly green lamp of synthetic Kryptonite, Superman turns into a malicious hooligan with a five o'clock shadow. He straightens the Tower of Pisa out of spite, wrecks bar supplies with the flick of a peanut. "If

spectacular, and will reach a very wide audience", says Alexander Salkind. Could this be another successful formula? Geoff Brown

Ole Olsen and his stout partner, Chic Johnson, were a leading American vaudeville act with a furious style of surrealist humour who seemed doomed to run a poor second in the cinema to the Marx Brothers.

Films on TV

The film's immediate appeal is its cascade of gags, many of them visual, such as people walking through doorways and coming out disguised on the other side. But much of the humour also derives from undermining the very Hollywood conventions it is supposed to be respecting.

Critics' choice

CONFIDENCE (15) Gate, Bloomsbury (837 1177/8402) István Szabó's austere, compelling tale of emotional conflicts between two fugitives posing as a man and wife in Nazi-occupied Hungary; filmed with the same sureness, insight and excellent use of modest resources that marked the director's Mephisto (made two years later).

FANNY AND ALEXANDER (15) Camden Plaza (485 2443) from Thors Ingmar Bergman's amazing evocation of life, joys and terrors, staged with exceptional opulence, beauty and lightness of touch. Traditional Bergman themes are deftly woven into the mixed fortunes of a Swedish family early in the century. Masterful, loving performances.

THE KING OF COMEDY (PG) Cinecitta, Pantou Street (330 0631) Gate, Mayfair (493 0691) A comedy only on the surface: deep down, Martin Scorsese's striking film offers a bleak, low-key explication of desperate people trapped in fantasies. Jerry Lewis gives a remarkable, sour performance as a TV star



Pernilla Alwin as Fanny in Bergman's masterpiece



Arielle Dombasle and Pascal Gregory at the beach

kidnapped by an ambitious fan; Robert De Niro and newcomer Sandra Bernhard are hardly less impressive. L'ARGENT (PG) Camden Plaza (485 2443) until Wed

Carné in 1939; with Jules Berry and Arletty. MONTY PYTHON FESTIVAL Barbican Cinema One (695 8795/638 9891) until August 10

Concerts

ARENASKY RARITY Today, 7.30pm, The Matlinses, Troop, Suffolk (072 885 3543) Richard Hickox conducts the Northern Sinfonia in Arensky's Variations on a Theme of Tchaikovsky, Tchaikovsky's Variations on a Rocco Theme (Paul Tortelier, cello) and Haydn's "London" Symphony.

BERKELEY PREMIERE Tomorrow, 8pm, Cheltenham Town Hall (0242 236800) The festival ends with the world premiere of Sir Lennox Berkeley's recently rediscovered Cello Concerto, in which Moray Welsh is the soloist. James Loughran also conducts the Halle in Wagner's Meistersinger Overture, Brahms's Symphony No 1 and Weber's Orchestral Pieces Op 6.

ATIKEN'S FOLIA (I) July 18, 6.30pm, Canada House, Trafalgar Square, London SW1 (829 8492, ext 246) Back from Cheltenham, the York Winds repeat Atiken's Folia, Nielsen's Quintet Op 43 and Dancz's Quintet Op 58, and add Samuel Barber's Summer Music.

Yasja's Excess and Ballade and Kreznikov's Three Pieces. Natalia Zerkovskaya is at the piano. MEDICI QUARTET July 20 and 21, 7.30pm, Sutton Place, near Guildford, Surrey (0483 504455) The Medici Quartet play Mozart's Quartet K 387 and Haydn's Op 76 No 1, both in G, and then Ravel's Quartet in F.

Rock & Jazz

STEVE WINWOOD Tonight, Southampton Gaumont tomorrow, Royal Concert Hall, Nottingham For more than two hours Winwood ruminates through his past - "Keep on Running", "I'm a Man", "Dear Mr Fantasy" - and expands on the material from his recent solo albums. A sharp band makes the best of his complex arrangements, proving again that he is just about the only musician apart from Gil Evans who knows how to make a synthesizer sound human. And those who remember him as a diffident recluse will be astonished by his new-found exuberance. This is grown-up rock 'n' roll from a once and forever soul man.

modern values in common. The pianist in their quintet is the wonderful Horace Parlan, whose every note sums up the blues. PETER HAMILL Tonight, ICA Theatre, Nash House, Troop, Suffolk (072 885 3543) Like his former label-mate Peter Gabriel, Hamill has managed the transition from the "progressive rock" of the early 1970s to the "new wave" of the early 1980s with enviable grace. John Lydon was a fan of his tortured imagery and toruous melodic sense; one day soon Hamill will probably make a solo record to match the impact of the early Van Der Graaf Generator, the band with whom he made his name. Also on the bill, at one of the closing events of the World of Music, Arts and Dance festival, are South Africa's Malopoets.

UN LIU CHER July 19, 7.30pm, Merchant Taylors' Hall, 30 Thraupine Street, London EC2 (236 2801) The Soviet violinist Igor Oistrakh plays Tchaikovsky's Souvenir d'un Lieu Cher and Valse-Scherzo. Shorter with the only possible replacement: the prodigious Wynton Marsalis and his elder brother, Branford. The rhythm section, of course, remains, and there is no finer combination than that of Herbie Hancock, Ron Carter and Tony Williams. VSOP's laudable aim is to keep alive the music of the unforgettable Miles Davis Quintet of the mid-1950s: the ESP, Miles Smiles and Nefertiti band, which purveyed music of extraordinary beauty and sophistication. The Marsalis brothers will not be left behind by such fast company.

ROY AYERS Wed and Thurs, The Venue, 160 Victoria Street, London SW1 (828 9441) A former hard-bop vibraphonist turns jazz-funk star, with the help of ex-Crusader Wayne Henderson. ACKER BILK Wed, 100 Club, 100 Oxford Street, London W1 (836 0533) Many former partners and side men will be along to help Bilk and his Paramount Jazz Band celebrate their silver jubilee: Al Fairweather, Bruce Turner, Stan Grgy, Bob Wallis, J.B.T. Davies and Doc Dickey are among those promised. One imagines that the draught beer will be replaced for the night by barrels of acrumphy.

Dance

ROYAL BALLET ROYAL BALLET (240 1066), Paris at 7.30pm, matinees at 2.30pm Highlight of the week is the London premiere (Wednesday) of Ashton's ballet to Walton's Variations, created in New York three months ago. Starring Antoinette Sibley and Anthony Dowell, it has a setting by Hookney and costumes by Ossie Clark. With it are Ashton's The Dream and Glen Tetley's Dances of Ailán.

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Today

BRITISH GRAND PRIX: Turbocharged cars have dominated Formula One motor racing this season...



Catches and dispatches: Swan Upping on the Thames, with (left) Mr John Turk, the Queen's swan-keeper...



director Richard Eyre, whose other credits include Guys and Dolls on stage and The Englishman's Boy in the cinema...

WHAT WENT WRONG? First of three 90-minute programmes in which Jeremy Seabrook, author of a recent study of unemployment...

Monday SWAN UPPING: All swans on the river Thames belong to the Queen and to two City of London livery companies...

ROCCO: A futuristic piece, subtitled 'A Paradise Appearances' in which an embattled elite comes to terms with their world...

DOG'S MEDAL: The Dickin Medal awarded to Judy, a boxer, for beating off an attack on a British officer in 1946...

LETTERS FOR SALE: A series of 123 letters written by William Butler Yeats to Dorothy (Lady Gerald) Wexley...

THE OXFORD MOVEMENT: It was 150 years ago this month that the university of John Keble preached a sermon in St Mary's Church, Oxford...

THURSDAY TIME-KEEPING: In a sale of watches, barometers and clocks, some of the more inventive clock cases include a skeleton of Lichfield Cathedral...

Tomorrow BRASS BAND FESTIVAL: Presented by the Greater London Council and Capital Radio and comprising free performances in the afternoon on the South Bank terraces and gardens...

WARNER BROTHERS IN THE 1930s: Season of 19 films, from Five Star Final and The Public Enemy to High Sierra...

THE GOLF UMBRELLA: Henry McGee, Amanda Barrie and Joanna Dunham star in William Douglas-Horne's latest comedy, a tale of a middle-aged playwright whose wife urges him to have an affair...

THE ESSENTIAL JOHN FORD: Short but well-chosen tributes to a giant of the American cinema opens today with The Grapes of Wrath and Young Mr Lincoln...

FUN OF THE FAIR: Victorian pop art is represented in a sale of pot lids and fairings - fairground prizes now collectors' items - Bader prints, Steingraphs (silk pictures) and commemorative china...

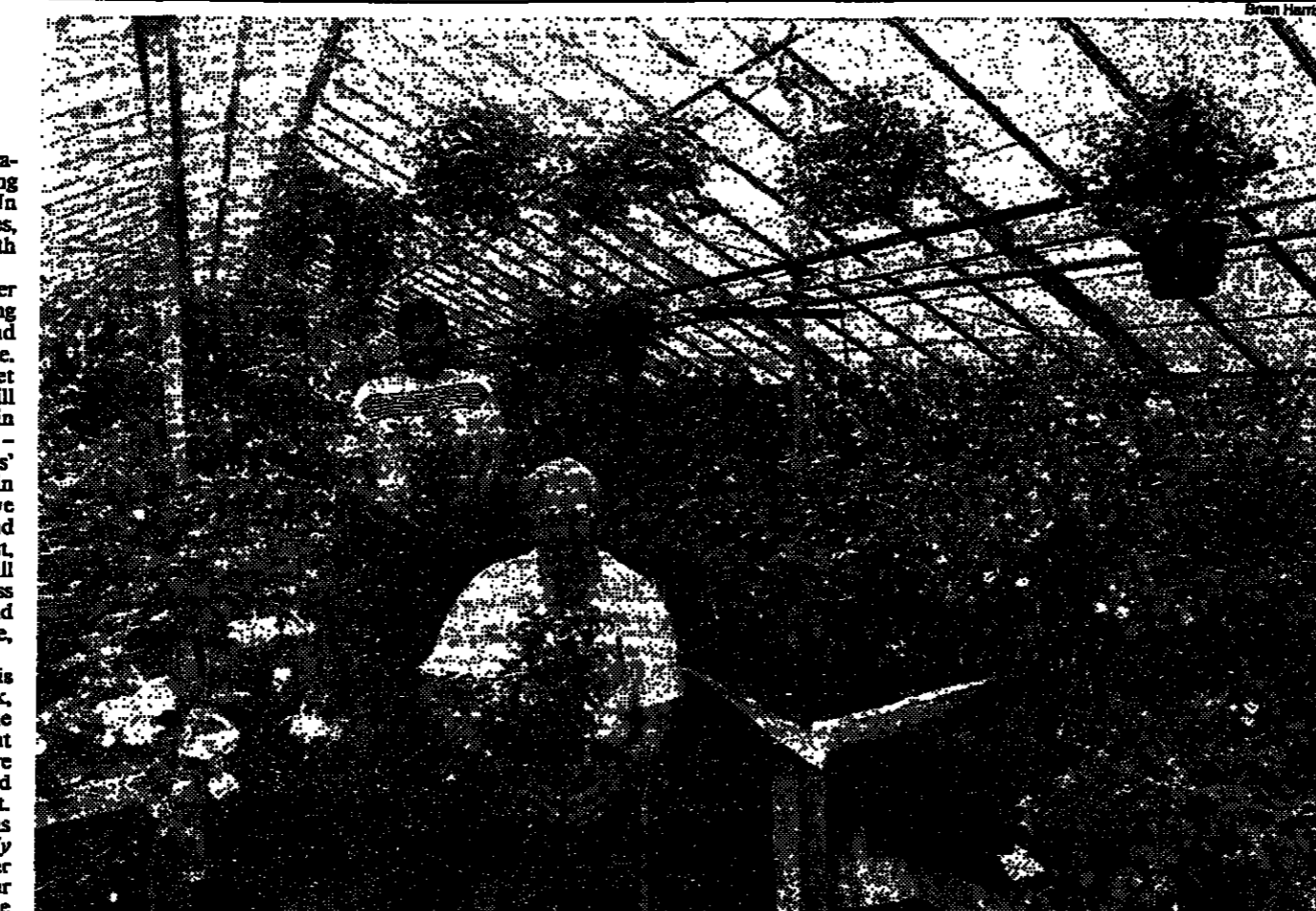
THE BEGGAR'S OPERA: Television version of the acclaimed National Theatre production of John Gay's comedy of London low life, with the former pop singer Paul Jones as Macheath...

FRIDAY DOGGETT'S COAT AND BADGE: Annual race along the Thames from London Bridge to Chelsea for single sculls by watermen nominated by the Fishmongers' Company...

Family Life

Cooling tantrums and tears before bedtime

"Go to bed" - like "Clean your teeth", "Wash your neck", "Don't spend it all at once" and "Don't talk to strangers" - is an order that is forever on the tip of the parental tongue...



Full bloom: Maurice Robertson (seated) and Clive Eggleton ready for the Fuchsia Experience (see Outings)

get to sleep before 11 or 12 at night and rises in a daze try the brutal but effective ploy of setting the alarm at 6 am...

A week or even less of this routine will establish one of two things: your child either genuinely needs less sleep than its peers - a natural night owl...

OUTINGS

FRAMLINGHAM SHOW: Castle Meadow, Framlingham, Suffolk; today 10.30am-6pm; adults 50p, children 30p. The Framlingham Show dates back to the latter part of last century...

Vengeful old guard take a beating

The shock elimination of the holders, B. Shenkin's powerful Scottish team, in the last stages of the Nashua Gold Cup in Leeds, left the draw for the quarter-finals with a decidedly lop-sided appearance...

room reached the ungainly contract of 3NT, which deservedly was not a success. In the open room, two members of our women's World Championship team bid with impressive accuracy...

Soviet team sweeps the board

Of all the fine events which FIDE (the World Chess Federation) runs, none seems to me to offer such attractive play as the finals of the European Team Championship...

Chess

Germany, by 7-1. The Yugoslavs were the only team to draw with them. The final score: USSR 38, Yugoslavia 33, Hungary 31, England 30, Netherlands 29, Bulgaria 26, Denmark 20 and West Germany 17.

Chess board diagrams and related text, including a chessboard with pieces and a small diagram below it.

Barclaycard

Public humiliation for woman who overstepped her limit



Theresa Lock (not her real name) is a tax lawyer, a career woman with an excellent income and better prospects.

Last week, however, she fell victim to Barclaycard's new security crackdown. When she offered her Barclaycard for purchases in an Oxford Street store, the assistant came back from making the authorization call and announced that Barclaycard had told her to cut up the card.

What had gone wrong? Mrs Lock has just moved home, and had been spending heavily on new furniture, carpets and curtains. "Of course I'd used my credit card," she says.

Drastic Her account balance was £750 short of her credit limit. After she made her last monthly payment. By the time that Barclaycard pulled the plug, it was £250 over.

To overstep to such an extent was undoubtedly careless but did Barclaycard have to be so drastic? The company claims to have tried to warn Mrs Lock that she was over her limit but the letter went to her old address, and has still not been received.

Did Barclaycard have her new address? Yes that is where the latest statement went. But warning or no warning, Barclaycard sees no reason to repent the instructions given - although it does regret the manner in which they were carried out.

The way in which we respond to such a situation depends on how long the

account has been outstanding and how much it is over the limit," the company says.

"Once certain parameters have been passed, discretion is removed. But we would normally expect the shopkeeper to carry out our instructions in a more restrained manner, to take the customer on one side. It shouldn't have been done in front of a shopful of customers. But some shopkeepers do get carried away."

This is no consolation to Mrs Lock, who does not understand why Barclaycard thought it necessary to withdraw the card in the first place. "If the shopkeeper hadn't cut the card up I would have had to do it myself," she says. "I'm not leaving my Barclaycard in the hands of an unknown shop assistant. If they thought I had stolen the card, I would be asked to go to the phone. The person at the other end asked me a few questions, the sort of

thing that only I would know the answer to: my maiden name, that sort of thing. Then they told me I was over my limit, and I agreed not to use the card until I had paid off the extra.

Access does in fact refuse authorization when a cardholder is over the limit, although there is a small tolerance. "I didn't mind the questions at all," Mrs Lock says.

"I'm all in favour of them checking that cards don't fall into wrong hands," but Barclaycard, it seems, was not worried about fraud. They made no attempt to check her identity.

Indiscriminate

So it looks as though the company takes the view that cardholders who go over too far are cardholders who deserve to be cut up - whatever the circumstances. For a company that pioneered the concept of easy credit in Britain and whose operations are so highly computerized that the financial habits and history of a customer are

available at the touch of a button, this seems an extraordinarily indiscriminate approach.

Mrs Lock has had her Barclaycard for more than 10 years, and claims she has never given the company any problems. That in itself is a reason for the company to think twice before taking such drastic action.

But she is also relatively young, professionally qualified, a high earner, and a high spender. So is her husband. They are precisely the kind of couple that the banks are now making enormous efforts to attract and retain as customers - and for whom Barclaycard, with much panoply, has recently launched its gold card.

Is the company really prepared to jeopardize so much business for the doubtful pleasure of rapping Mrs Lock over the knuckles? If so, it deserves to have her do in future what she did at the time: use another card instead.

Adrienne Gleeson

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FAMILY MONEY MARKET Banks Current account - no interest paid. Deposit accounts - Midland, Barclays, Lloyds, Natwest 6 per cent, seven days notice required for withdrawals, Lloyds extra interest 9/8 per cent. Monthly income account Natwest 9/8 per cent. Fixed term deposits £2,500-£25,000 - 1, 3 and 6 months 8%, per cent. Rates quoted by Barclays. Other banks may differ.

Exchange rates Counting the cost of travellers' cheques How much are your travellers' cheques really costing you? It is easy to overlook the cost of transactions when they take place in foreign currencies and even more so when they are incurred in a mood of ebullience or as part of the overall cost of a holiday.

Today's Rates 10 3/4% - 11 1/4% Finance for Industry plc has changed its name and FFI Term Deposits are now called Investors in Industry Term Deposits. Deposits of £1,000-£50,000 accepted for fixed terms of 3-10 years.

Base Lending Rates BN Bank 9 1/2% Barclays 9 1/2% CCI 9 1/2% Consolidated Crds 9 1/2% C. Hoare & Co 9 1/2% Lloyds Bank 9 1/2% Midland Bank 9 1/2% Nat Westminster 9 1/2% TSB 9 1/2% Williams & Glyn's 9 1/2% At counter-level, the banks were almost unanimous in their erroneous belief that currency transactions which did not go through sterling were in some way illegal or prohibited by the Bank of England, although, since the end of exchange controls, there have been no restrictions whatsoever.

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Borrowing

Only risk takers need apply

The first offer of shares direct to the public under the Business Expansion Scheme was announced this week.

The attraction is the generous tax relief available to the higher rate taxpayers.

The investment is, by definition, high risk. Started in 1980, Dutton Meditech forecasts a first profit in 1985.

Up to £40,000 in any one tax year can be put into BES investment and tax relief at the highest income tax rate available.

Table with 3 columns: Marginal Tax Rate, Relief, Net cost. Shows rates for 75%, 50%, and 20% tax payers.

Dutton Meditech has two main divisions. One is developing equipment for the growing occupational and environmental market.

The biochemistry division is to sell a range of clinical diagnostic aids.

Investors with strong stomachs should request the prospectus from 'Laird & Cruickshank'.

On the right track

First-year full-time students who open a current account with Lloyds are being offered a 25 discount on a Young Person's Railcard.

The Railcard, which at present costs £12, entitles students to half-price travel on British Rail for one year. They can instead opt for a 25 book token, and all student customers of Lloyds can subscribe to 12 issues of the Economist at a reduced price of 25.

Anyone under 18 can open an account and interest at 8 per cent is paid without deduction of tax. All account holders receive a money box and a Black Horse Young Savers Kit which contains a paying-in book, account record book, a ruler, pen and pencil.

Target's new fund

Target is launching a managed currency fund - yet another in what promises to be a long line of investment vehicles enjoying the "roll up" tax advantages of being based in Jersey.

The Inland Revenue failed to plug the handy loophole whereby investors in these "roll up" funds, which are invested in money market instruments such as bank deposits and CDs, are liable to capital gains, not income tax on their returns.

Now, the banks have all withdrawn from the lending market and the building societies cannot meet demand.

And anyone prepared to take a modest risk can get tax relief on the whole lot.

It described a typical remortgage deal that gave you cash to spend. You were invited to ring an agency, which turned out to be an estate agency and insurance broker that passes inquiries on to the Liverpool office of a national life assurance company.

FAMILY MONEY edited by Margaret Drummond

Marrying into money

Money, they say, is one of the chief causes of marital disharmony - at least that's clearly the view of the National Marriage Guidance Council.

It advises the couple to keep some money that is individually "theirs", and it acknowledges the fact that, however broke you are, spending some of your cash on a little luxury makes emotional, if not financial, sense.

Money and Marriage is available from the National Marriage Guidance Council, 144 Great Brunswick Street, Manchester M16 0AA.

Plain contest

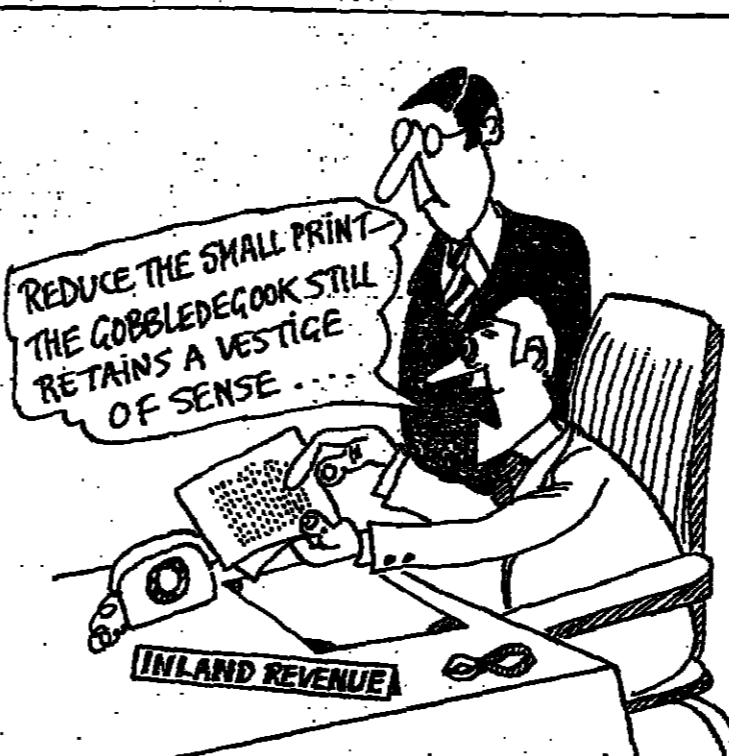
Do you understand the form or leaflet you get yesterday from Inland Revenue, your solicitor or the gas board.

gobbledegook while plain speaking organizations get awards to mark their achievements.

What I chose to tell the taxman was up to me. The agency manager for this company describes the group's policy on remortgages as a "perfectly legitimate activity".

Not many investment trusts cater almost exclusively for the requirements of the private investor, but a new one is to be created this month.

With the Homeowners Friendly Society, you really can reap the rewards of regular saving. Simply by investing in one of our 10 year High Return Savings Plans, your money will grow and grow completely free of tax.



INLAND REVENUE

Travellers' cheques

St Albans-based Boston Trust & Savings is offering free Thomas Cook travellers cheques through its branches until the end of September.

Home loan rates

In line with other banks and building societies, the Co-operative Bank is increasing its mortgage interest rate with effect from July 14.

Guaranteed mortgage customers are now being offered mortgages at 11 per cent.

Beating the burglar

Claims for losses from burglaries were up by one third to £42m in the first three months of the year, according to the British Insurance Association.

Health policy

Imperial Life has introduced a permanent health insurance policy, the Income Protector Plan. Individuals who are not permanently and totally disabled but who have to take lower paid jobs for health reasons will be able to claim for benefits without having to be off work for the full qualifying period.

Investors' vouchers

Hotelsmakers can get a £2 duty free voucher, redeemable at all British Airports Authority duty free shops, if they buy their travellers' cheques through a Leicester Building Society account.

Concessions

A portable pension scheme designed specifically for business graduates has been launched by Save & Prosper.

Premium Life Assurance is offering four new Guaranteed Bonds with terms of three to six years. The investor who wants income can, for instance, get 8.2 per cent a year, equivalent to 11.7 per cent gross on the three-year bond.

Bonds on offer

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Industrial Building Allowance

High income earners planning to take advantage of one of the very few ways to reduce their income tax bill substantially should proceed with some caution.

Remortgaging

Home loans for buying cars despite the lending famine

Remortgaging is a good business - the borrower has a track record and a bigger stake in his property than a first time buyer purchasing a Wimpey. And there is usually a higher rate of interest. The company sells the homeowner an endowment policy.

Accent is on speed

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Industrial Building Allowance

Tax-saving scheme for those with patience and money

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Why would you invest in the worst-performing sector? When you invest your money, do you choose the funds which have been successful in recent months? Most investors do - and they risk missing the best of their chosen market. But what about investing in the worst-performing market of the previous year? Turn back the clock one year and look at what happened, using the actual performance of one leading investment management company.

THE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THAT'S A LOT MORE INTERESTING. INSTANT ACCESS. 8.80% - 9.20% GROSS. Why settle for 6.00% gross, when most banks currently offer on 7-day deposit accounts, when you can earn significantly more from a High Interest Bank Account?

Survey to check on trade barriers

By John Lawless
The Government is to conduct a survey of invisible exporters' complaints, about trade barriers abroad.
The Department of Trade and Industry has published a consultative document, saying it is its first step towards multilateral negotiations aimed at liberalizing international services such as banking, insurance, shipping, aviation, consultancy and data transmission.
The move was initiated by the United States at last year's ministerial meeting at the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. Several countries meet for the second time in Geneva on Thursday to ensure that their studies follow broadly similar lines.
Evidence-taking will finish in October, for presentation to GATT early next year.
The Committee on Invisible Exports and Trade Agreements are being sent discussion papers. But the Department of Trade and Industry is keen to secure examples of barriers from any source.
Although the US and Britain back an agreement, concern is felt that trade is already hindered.
A case in point concerns Lloyd's the body pushing hardest for regulation. Because of the way it is constituted, it is unable to set up branches abroad, and is involved in a dispute with West Germany over restrictive practices.
Questions now likely to arise may include whether the United States can go on protecting its shipping and insurance, where it often insists that foreign firms can only handle business that domestic companies cannot or do not want to take on.

Time for a realistic tax rate

Prudent gentlemen in the City generally err on the cautious side when estimating company profits, but there is a strong case for arguing that the error of assuming a full tax rate when calculating company earnings is due for burial.
The nominal full corporation tax rate is 52 per cent. Everybody knows, however, that few companies - and only those with finance directors who promptly departed - ever pay that much.
James Cape, the stockbroker, has recently estimated that the average rate, including domestic and overseas tax, was 36.2 per cent last year. In 1980 and 1981 it was 34.1 per cent and 36.4 per cent respectively.
This is no academic matter. One essential tool of stock market analysis, on which company ratings are made and investment decisions rest, is the celebrated price/earnings ratio. Take, for example, Glaxo, a market favourite at the moment and a constituent of the FT30. The boffins at James Cape calculate that its fully-taxed p/e is 33.5, while the actual tax p/e is 27.4.
The examples could be multiplied. But the compelling argument is that company tax rates are unlikely to rise by much.
It is true that the heyday of stock relief is over, and some companies suffer from an advanced corporation tax problem.
Against that, capital allowances are generous, leasing is widespread, and there is a huge backlog of tax offsets to be utilized.
The Inland Revenue believes that accumulated tax losses now at £30bn are rising at the rate of £5bn a year. There is consequently a comfortable cushion to increasing profits and falling stock relief inherent

SHARE HIGHLIGHTS 1982-83
Table with columns: Company, Price y/day, Change on week, 'High', 'Low'
Rows include: Hicking, P., I.C.C. Oil, TSL Therm. Synd., Boustead, Modern Eng., Sutcliffe, Spkrm., Micro Focus, Polly Peck, Cornhill Hldgs.

London stock markets finished the week on a more optimistic note after suffering heavy falls in midweek in sympathy with Wall Street where the Dow Jones industrial average fell considerably on fears of higher interest rates.
By the end of the week the FT Index was up by 4.3 points at 688.2. Shares in Pilkington Brothers, the glass manufacturer, have been a strong market with dealers first expecting the outcome of meetings with analysts and then reacting to the comment the meetings prompted.
Newcomers to the market - Henderson Administration and Park Food Group, made disappointing debuts. Henderson began trading 3p ahead of the tender placing price at 371p, later to fall back to 368p. Park Food, the Christmas hamper

group, closed its first day's trading 3p down from the 93p striking price. Dowry Group also suffered a heavy midweek fall after a grim statement on prospects at its mining machinery division, with the shares falling to a low for the year at 119p.
The Government broker was also busy. Prices were cut from 297 1/2 to 291 1/2 on the 2 1/2 per cent index-linked convertible issue 1999 to exhaust the stock.
A new government top of £500m was also released but nothing came of speculation that the Government would begin a programme of asset sales to ease borrowings, by selling up to 125 million shares in BP.
Strong buying of ICI shares was witnessed throughout the week with much of the interest coming from the US.

One Hunt receiver is enough, court told

The Official Receiver in charge of the compulsory winding-up of 10 companies in the commodity futures group formerly controlled by Mr Keith Hunt, the missing financier, is strongly resisting a move by at least 300 investors for separate representation in the liquidation.
The investors, who initially put £5m into Exchange Securities & Commodities (Escom), Mr Hunt's master company, want their own receiver to look after their interests.
But Mr John Sell, Official Receiver and provisional liquidator of Escom and nine other Hunt companies, all based in Warwick, said yesterday, in a sworn statement read in the High Court in London, that another receiver would add substantially to the costs and expenses of the liquidation and would interfere with the work of the special manager.
He said: "The accounts and inquiries sought in the investors' draft writ are already, in effect, being conducted as a matter of urgency by the special manager and his staff.
"The proposed action will not assist, but rather will hinder, this task." It was "unnecessary, premature and probably not properly constituted."
An indication of the complexity of the work being carried out was given by Mr Philip Heslop, counsel for the Department of Trade.
There was the question of Escom funds in Switzerland which could not be repatriated until Mr Hunt, missing since April, was made bankrupt.
Then there were over 400 paintings sent to Christies for safekeeping, sale and valuation.

Hongkong market bounces back

Hongkong (AP-Dow Jones) - Hongkong stock market appears to have shaken the political uncertainty that sent it into a tailspin last autumn as improvements on the political front sent prices rising yesterday to their highest level in nearly 10 months.
The Hang Seng index rose 12.77 points in a burst of activity to finish at 1077.50.
Turnover soared to just under HK\$590m (£55m) worth of shares traded, the biggest day since April last year, when a takeover raid inflated the figure.
Yesterday's was the highest close since September 24, when Mrs Margaret Thatcher was in Peking discussing the future of Hongkong.
Britain and China announced that they would begin talks on what would happen to the colony after Britain's lease on 90 per cent of the territory expires in 1997.
Both sides said that they shared the goal of preserving Hongkong's prosperity and stability, but the Chinese were clearly ruffled at Mrs Thatcher's insistence that the nineteenth century treaties under which Britain took the territory were valid. However, China said that it would not compromise on regaining sovereignty over Hongkong.
Among properties, Cheung Kong fell 5 cents to HK\$9.75. Sun Hung Kai Properties rose 5 cents to HK\$17.10 and Hongkong Land lost 5 cents to HK\$4.20. Hutchison was unchanged at HK\$15.00 and Jardines rose 10 cents to HK\$15. Swire Pacific "A" shares gained 20 cents to HK\$16.40.
agreement (Dela) between Dome Petroleum and Dome Canada has been amended, subject to final government approval, to provide for its extension to July, 1986, and its scope has been expanded to allow for delineation drilling on semi-proven lands.
The programme involves nearly 22 million of Dome Petroleum's 27.5 million gross acres of working interest lands in the western sedimentary basin, mainly in Alberta.

Oil programme agreed

Dome Petroleum, Dome Canada and Home Oil yesterday announced an agreement of a big exploration and development programme over the next three years.
An estimated Can\$1.47bn (£774m) will be spent by Dome Canada and Home in western Canada and in the Beaufort Sea region, a Dome Petroleum oil and gas lands.
Home is the natural resources arm of Hiram Walker Resources.
The Dome exploratory lands

Associated Newspapers

Associated Newspapers has produced better half-year results than expected, with profits up from £5.38m to £6.99m before tax with a 16 per cent rise in turnover to £147.6m.
The improvement's source is hard to gauge as Associated gives no half-year breakdown

COMMODITIES

Table of commodity prices including LONDON METAL EXCHANGE, LONDON COMMODITY PRICES, RUBBER, COCOA, SUGAR, COPPER, GOLD, and various oil products.

COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

Agreed offer: Terms have been agreed for Maurice James Industries to make a recommended all-share offer for the Roche Service Group.
On the basis of a middle market quotation at the close of business last Wednesday of 30p for ordinary shares in James, the ordinary offer values Roche's ordinary capital at about £1.9m - equivalent to about 22p for every Roche ordinary share.
An offer will be made for the deferred ordinary shares of Roche, which will be comparable to the ordinary offer.
Terms of the ordinary offer: for every 100 ordinary shares of Roche, 53 new ordinary shares of James.
Mr Martyn Meade, the chairman of James, said that the services provided by Roche in the fields of mechanical handling, plant hire and store fitting would complement the interests of Maurice James, which are presently established in waste disposal contracting, export packing, manufacture and installation of electronic and security control equipment and in property management.
He concluded: "The acquisition of Roche represents a further step in our long-term policy to establish Maurice James Industries as a broadly-based industrial group."
Adkins Bros. (Hosiery): The annual meeting was told that the company has a considerably larger order book than at this time last year. If its customers continue to trade at the better levels of recent months, Adkins should see its turnover increase in the coming months. Against this backdrop, the company is cautiously optimistic that the current year will see an increase in profitability.
Debenhams: The chairman, Mr R C Thornton, told the annual meeting that during the last year steps have been taken to bring together and strengthen the buying and selling functions of the department store business by establishing specialist offshoots, each motivated by profit and responsible for specific areas of trading within stores.
Each such company was entirely responsible for achieving targeted profit levels after paying a fully commercial rent for the space occupied in stores. Already, some were also selling their skills to companies outside the Debenhams group.
WH Smith and Son (Holdings): Because of the change in the year-end date, Smith will not be reporting again until February 1984, when the results of ten months trading will be announced. Smith will then report at regular six monthly intervals, the annual meeting was told.
During the year so far the results are ahead of the same period last year, the chairman, Mr S M Hornby, said.
Daily Mail and General Trust: Half-year to 31.3.83. Pretax loss, £39,000 (loss, £224,000). Stated earnings (loss), 1.0p (loss, 4.66p). Turnover, £17.45m (£18.81m). Net dividend, 0.2p (0.15p).
Fleming Overseas Investment Trust: Year to 30.6.83. Gross income, £5.47m (£5.27m). Stated earnings, 6.38p (6.87p). Net dividend, 7.0p (7.0p).
Kellogg Trust: Half-year to 30.6.83. Pretax profit, £154,000 (£241,000). Stated earnings, 0.25p (0.18p). Turnover, £42.9m (£31.67m).
Edinburgh American Assets Trust: Half-year to 30.6.83. Pretax revenue, £332,000 (£105,000). Stated earnings, 0.46p (loss, 0.01p). Net interim dividend, nil (nil).

Advertisement for Oppenheimer American Growth Trust. Features a large image of a skyscraper and text: 'It's not hard to see which American fund is managed on Wall Street.' Includes performance statistics for Unit Trust A (108% growth), Unit Trust B (95% growth), and Unit Trust C (95% growth). Contains a form for subscription and contact information for Oppenheimer Trust Management.

WALL STREET table listing various stocks and their prices, including companies like American Express, Bank of America, and various international financial institutions.

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Label Offer for subscription of up to 10,000,000 Shares in Target Managed Currency Fund Limited ("the Fund") at £1.00 per share.

A copy of this prospectus and of the documents specified herein have been delivered for registration to the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales.

guarantee or other material contingent liabilities. The subscription lists for the initial offer of Shares will open at 10.00 a.m. in Jersey on 29th July 1983 and will close the same day.

No person has been authorized to give any information or to make any representations, other than those contained in this prospectus, in connection with this offer of Shares and, if given or made, such information or representations must not be relied upon.

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(A Company incorporated with limited liability in Jersey on 7th July, 1983 under the provisions of the Companies (Jersey) Laws 1861 to 1968)

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Securities held by the Fund will have a relatively short term to maturity, normally not in excess of 12 months and usually less than 6 months, thus providing the Fund with a fairly high degree of liquidity, although investments of longer maturities may be made when particularly attractive opportunities arise.

The Fund may enter into forward currency transactions, options and financial futures contracts as a hedge against unusually sharp movements in exchange and interest rates. The proportion of the Fund's assets covered by forward currency transactions should not exceed 50%. The cost of options and financial futures contracts will not exceed 20% of the net asset value of the Fund.

Potential investors should be aware that the value of Shares in the Fund may fall as well as rise.

Directors
The Directors of the Fund, who will be responsible for determining and reviewing the overall investment policy of the Fund, are as follows:-

The Hon. David Montagu, aged 54, is Chairman of J. Rothschild Investment Management Limited and of Target Trust Managers Limited and a Director of RIT and Northern P.L.C. He is the U.K. representative on the Investment Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension & Superannuation Fund. He is on the Board of several major trading companies, investment trusts and investment companies.

Stanley Cohen, aged 49, is President of J. Rothschild International N.V. and is a Director of RIT and Northern P.L.C.

Michael Holland, aged 39, is Senior Vice-President of Investments for Reliance Insurance Company in the United States of America.

Mrs. Therese Meier, aged 47, is President and Chief Executive of Global Asset Management (GAM) Switzerland S.A.

Introduction
Target Managed Currency Fund Limited ("the Fund") was incorporated as an investment company on 7th July, 1983 in Jersey, Channel Islands. The Fund offers investors a convenient and efficient means of investing in a spread of deposits, bonds, certificates of deposit, and other monetary instruments. The Manager will invest the assets of the Fund in Sterling and other major currencies so as to provide investors with a high overall return in Sterling terms.

Investment Policy
The Fund is denominated in Sterling but will normally have a portfolio spread between Sterling and the major marketable currencies: the US Dollars, Deutsche Marks, French Francs, Swiss Francs, Dutch Florins and Japanese Yen. The Fund may, however, also hold investments in other currencies if it is considered appropriate.

The Fund may not make an investment in a bank or a company if the Fund's total investment in that bank or company would thereby exceed 10% of the net asset value of the Fund. Furthermore, the Fund may only invest in a bank if it is of adequate standing or in a company if it qualifies for a rating of not less than "A" by Moody's or Standard and Poor's (or is considered by the Directors to be of similar credit standing).

The selection of currencies, the amount invested in each currency and the maturity of investments will depend on the Manager's view of the prospects for the particular currencies, the rates of return available on investments in each currency and their marketability from time to time.

Advantages of the Fund
The Directors believe that Shareholders in the Fund can derive the following substantial benefits as compared with direct investment in currencies:-

- 1. Experienced Professional Advice:**
The Fund benefits from the expertise of an investment adviser, J. Rothschild Investment Management Limited, which monitors and deals actively in the foreign exchange market. J. Rothschild Investment Management Limited is a subsidiary of RIT and Northern P.L.C. and is responsible for the portfolio investments of RIT and Northern P.L.C. in addition to managing the Target range of funds. Companies in the RIT and Northern Group also provide investment management services for private individuals, investment trusts, unit trusts and a life assurance company.
- 2. Active Management:**
The Fund is able to react immediately to developments in the foreign exchange and money markets as they occur. Furthermore, the distribution of the Fund's assets between currencies can be varied to reflect anticipated developments in foreign exchange rates and interest rates.
- 3. Benefits of Size:**
The Fund, by virtue of its size, should be able to obtain higher rates of return and finer exchange rates in individual currencies than would normally be available to smaller investors.
- 4. Spread of Risk:**
The Fund will not have more than 10% of its assets represented by any single investment or on deposit with any single institution, so as to ensure that there is an adequate spread of risk. The Fund will adopt a conservative approach both to the type of security held in the portfolio and to the institutions in which investments are made.
- 5. Daily Dealings:**
Investors may subscribe for and redeem Shares in the Fund on any business day in Jersey. No special period of notice is required for redemptions. Application has been made to the Council of the Stock Exchange, London for the Shares to be admitted to the Official List.

Directors
The Directors of the Fund, who will be responsible for determining and reviewing the overall investment policy of the Fund, are as follows:-

The Hon. David Montagu, aged 54, is Chairman of J. Rothschild Investment Management Limited and of Target Trust Managers Limited and a Director of RIT and Northern P.L.C. He is the U.K. representative on the Investment Committee of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension & Superannuation Fund. He is on the Board of several major trading companies, investment trusts and investment companies.

Stanley Cohen, aged 49, is President of J. Rothschild International N.V. and is a Director of RIT and Northern P.L.C.

Michael Holland, aged 39, is Senior Vice-President of Investments for Reliance Insurance Company in the United States of America.

Mrs. Therese Meier, aged 47, is President and Chief Executive of Global Asset Management (GAM) Switzerland S.A.

Target Trust Managers (Jersey) Limited ("the Manager") has been appointed Manager of the Fund and is responsible for the overall administration of the Fund's affairs and for the provision of investment management.

J. Rothschild Investment Management Limited ("the Adviser") has been appointed by the Manager as investment adviser.

Lloyds Bank Trust Company (Channel Islands) Limited ("the Custodian") has been appointed by the Fund as Custodian to be responsible for the custody of the Fund's assets.

The Royal Trust Company of Canada (C.I.) Limited ("the Administrator") has been appointed by the Manager to carry out certain of the Manager's administrative duties, including the valuation of the Fund's assets, the issue and redemption of the Shares and the maintenance of the register of members. The Administrator has also been appointed as Secretary of the Fund.

Details of fees payable by the Fund are set out in "Fees and Charges" Further information on the agreements relating to the appointment of the Manager, the Custodian, the Investment Adviser and the Secretary are set out below in paragraph 8 under "General Information".

Initial Application and Allotment of Shares
The subscription lists for the initial offer of Shares will open at 10.00 a.m. in Jersey on 29th July, 1983 and will close on the same day. The initial offer price is £1.00 per 1p Share which includes the Manager's initial charge of 5p per Share. The minimum initial subscription is £1,000.

Applications may be made either on the application form attached to this prospectus or by telex. In order to be allotted Shares in the initial offer, an application form or telex must be received by the Fund in Jersey, together with a remittance in Sterling to cover the full amount payable, not later than 10.00 a.m. on 29th July, 1983. Full details of the application and payment procedures are set out at the end of this document.

Applications for Shares will not be acknowledged. Allotment of Shares will take place on or before 5th August, 1983. Any interest upon subscription monies cleared prior to allotment will be retained by the Manager and will be offset against the preliminary expenses of establishing the Fund, which are to be borne by the Fund. Certificates representing the Shares issued will be despatched within 28 days of the date of allotment. Shares will be issued in registered form after allotment, and pending the issue of certificates, transfers will be certified against the register.

The Fund reserves the right to reject an application in whole or in part, in which event the subscription monies or any balance thereof will be returned by post at the risk of the applicant.

Particulars and Redemption of Shares
After the initial offer of Shares has closed and redeemed on any business day in Jersey ("Dealing Day") at the appropriate offer or redemption price. The offer price and the redemption price will be determined by reference to the net asset value of the Fund on the relevant Dealing Day as determined with the assistance of the Administrator. Further information is given in the following paragraphs 2 to 4 under "General Information".

The Shares may be redeemed on any Dealing Day on which the net asset value of the Fund is published in the Financial Times and in the Jersey Evening Post. Payment for redeemed Shares will be made by cheque or by transfer to the account of the shareholder in Jersey.

Payment should be made to the Manager, but may be made in each other currency if the Manager agrees. Payment may also be made in each other currency if the Manager agrees. Payment may also be made in each other currency if the Manager agrees.

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Target Managed Currency Fund Limited

APPLICATION FORM

To: Target Managed Currency Fund Limited, c/o Target Trust Managers (Jersey) Limited, Royal Trust House, Colomberie, St. Helier, Jersey, Channel Islands.

I/We hereby acknowledge that I/we have received and considered a prospectus dated 15th July 1983 relating to Target Managed Currency Fund Limited and that this application is made on the terms thereof and subject to the provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Target Managed Currency Fund Limited.

I/We apply to subscribe for Participating Redeemable Preference Shares ("Shares") of Target Managed Currency Fund Limited and for this purpose I/we enclose a remittance for £.....

I/We request that the Shares be registered in my/our name(s). (If Shares are to be registered in any other name(s) registration details should be provided where indicated below)

I/We hereby declare that the Shares are not 'being acquired directly or indirectly by a resident of Jersey' in violation of any applicable law.

Please delete as appropriate:

(PLEASE USE BLOCK LETTERS)

Full Name of Applicant: _____
Address: _____
Signature: _____ Date: _____ 1983

Joint applicants should continue their details below. All must sign.

This application form may be signed by a duly authorized agent of the applicant(s).

AGENT Name of Agent: _____ 3 Name: _____
Address: _____ Address: _____
Signature: _____ Date: _____ 1983 Signature: _____ Date: _____ 1983

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Investment Advisers - J. Rothschild Investment Management Limited

MARKET REPORT by Michael Clark

BELL'S SCOTCH WHISKY BELL'S

S & N outshines brewers

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings begin Monday, Dealings end, July 29, Clearance Day, Aug 1, Settlement Day, Aug 8. The FT index ended at its low for the day 4.6 down at 683.6. Continuing fears surrounding the Brazilian debt talks hit bank shares, although latest reports still indicate both sides might still reach a successful conclusion. Among the losers, Barclays dipped 5p to 470p, after 480p. National Westminster Bank was unchanged at 640p after 650p. Midland Bank was unchanged at 415p, after 428p, and Lloyds Bank was down 1p at 540p, after 550p. Leading equities were also dull on nervous selling. Even Beecham closed 5p down at 331p, after 345p. The new shares go fully paid on Monday after the group's £200m rights issue last month. Bowater also slipped 2p to 230p, despite a line of about 1m shares being snapped up late on Thursday. Takeover talk continues, with assets of nearly £8 a share said to be proving a lure to US companies. Other dull spots included Distillers down 6p at 214p after the chairman's cautious remarks on Thursday, while Grand Metropolitan crumbled another 6p to 325p in the wake of its latest hotel sale to Reo Stakis for £6.5m. The gilt market was placing little emphasis on Mr Paul Vicker's efforts to keep US interest rates low. Prices in long lost as much as £1, while the two new tablets found few takers in first-time dealings. Good news for high taxpayers. Brokers Statham Duff Stoop have become the first to take advantage of the Business Expansion Scheme by arranging a private placing of 750,000 shares in International Embryos, the animal embryos transfer group, at 100p a share. The scheme offers investors the chance to offset the offer price against their highest rate of income tax. Harvard Securities are also offering 2.3m shares in Video Brokers at 15p a share. Shares of Scottish & Newcastle Breweries put up a sparkling performance yesterday rising 2p to 88p, yesterday, while the rest of the brewery sector flat as temperatures hit the nineties. Brokers W. Greenwell visited the brewery on Thursday, which served to confirm their earlier high expectations. Only a couple of weeks ago Greenwell wrote to clients telling them the rating remained undemanding, and the shares offered good value for money. The only cloud was the group's exposure to the free-house trade where competition remained fierce. But it now looks as though the group has learned to live with this. Greenwell's forecast of £50m for the year to April 1984 was thought to be a little high, but the visit has served to dispel remaining fears. Last year S & N reported pre tax of £41m which compared with £39m four years ago. Takeover speculation, which was rife a few months ago appears to have died down, but has not been ruled out by most observers. Greenwell estimate the shares are still worth buying up to about 100p. Elsewhere, equities ended the account on a dull note with investors again creaming off their profits after further fears of an imminent increase in US and domestic interest rates. It has been a good week for Charter Consolidated, the mining finance group, where the shares closed 13p higher at 305p - just 5p short of the year's high. The shares have now risen 19p so far this week and yesterday investors were offering 35p for the call in the options market. Shares of British Industrial & Investment Trust held steady at 240p after the increased terms from Atlanta, Baltimore & Chicago Regional Investment Trust, on the basis of 3.25 ABC shares for every 2 ABC shares for every 2 ABC. Yesterday brokers Statham Duff Stoop were again buying in the market on behalf of ABC, which now owns nearly 6 per cent of the shares in Britig. The Times recently highlighted the meteoric rise in the price of Bell's Cosmetics, which then stood at 285p. Yesterday the shares hit 450-443p after the price Wassikon Establishment paid Fenton Hill for its 75 per cent stake earlier this year. Renewed speculation was also good for a 4p rise to 26p in Baxford's, the textile manufacturer and retailer, where Mr Touker Suleyman of Mellus farm has just bought a small stake in the company with an option to take his interest up to 15 per cent. There reports that the group is hoping to strengthen the board with the appointment of Mr Ralph Halpern of Burton as a director. Mr Halpern was unavailable for comment. Fleet Holdings, owner of the Daily Express, Sunday Express and Daily Star, rose 10p to a high of 109p still hoping for an autumn flotation of Reuters, the news agency and electronic information group.

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The Open: sign of weakness from Stadler, chalk and cheese from Durnian

Faldo blowing hot and luke-warm

By John Hennessey, Golf Correspondent

Nick Faldo did Britain proud again on the second day of the Open golf championship at Royal Birkdale yesterday. With a second round of 68, three under par, he moved to within two strokes of the leader, Craig Stadler (70 yesterday), with the holder, Tom Watson, (68) and Lee Trevino (66) intervening. Even so, it was a little-known Yorkshireman, Denis Durnian, who stole much of the early limelight with a second-round 66 and a two-round total of 139.

Faldo was again paired with Ballesteros, and again had the better of a taut battle on a personal level, as the Spaniard took 71 for the second time. Unlike the first day, Faldo got away well with a three at the first and, with another birdie at the seventh, was in fine shape. Alas, he missed the green at the ninth, dropped another shot at the tenth, and the doubts began to grow.

But he came back with a brilliant run of four successive birdies from the twelfth, with superb putting touch. A bunker at the long fifteenth offered a threat but he came out to 12 feet and gave his putter chance. The rapture rather ended there. He played an even more convincing sand shot at the sixteenth, this time to 5 feet, and could hardly believe it when the putt stayed above ground. A tee shot into the sand hills robbed him of the obvious birdie at the long seventeenth downhill, and a par four at the last, a fiendishly difficult hole from the new tee, was a safe harbour from the gathering tension in front of another huge gallery after a brave putt of 15 feet from yet another bunker. The attendance, 34,200, was a record for the Open.

Durnian played not so much one round of golf yesterday as two half-rounds, because the halves were as chalk and cheese, or as July 1983 as to an English summer. To begin with it seemed he could do no wrong coming home he displayed another essential golfing virtue, the ability to scramble when the game gets out of kilter. Sandwiched between such colourful characters as Trevino and Jacklin ahead and such formidable characters as Stadler and Langer behind, he stole their thunder with a remarkable run of six birdies in the seven holes from the second.

Only the almost birdie-proof sixth (Trevino is one of the few to get a three there) evaded his attack. On either side of that, he was winging in a variety of irons, from four to nine, and holding putts from all over the place. He said afterwards that it seemed to him that he could hole everything in sight. So it seemed to us.

Two ten-footers eluded him, on the first and the ninth, the second only narrowly, and he reached the turn in 28, a record for the Open championship, now in its 112th existence. You think of all the great players down the years who have pitted their skills against the great links on this great occasion and you wonder: how could a man of so little eminence possibly up-stage them all?

The Birkdale greens are open invitations to low scores, particularly the first nine, which includes no long holes and two per three. But there was a fluke: wind about and the shots to the greens were less straightforward than the day before. Life was harder for Durnian turning for home. He missed the fairway on the tenth and got a flyer with a six-iron into the jungle under a television tower. He was allowed a free drop, of course, but the only available place was a gravel path and he needed to hole a tricky downhill six-footer to avoid dropping a second shot.

Thereafter he lived dangerously, and was saved by a resolute short game, the sign of a man of character. He chipped dead at the next two holes, survived a bunkered tee-shot at the 13th, holed a 15-foot putt for a par five at the 542 yards 15th, escaped without penalty from a cow shot with a three-wood off the 16th tee (he never once used a driver) and pitched sweetly over the bunker to five feet at the last, precisely the sort of shot that Ballesteros must have yearned for the evening before. From all these Perils of Pauline, he emerged with strict par from the 11th to finish five under for the day.

If it all sounds rather improbable, it is all of a piece with the man, nowadays a part-time tournament player, who took to the game driving balls off the deck in the merchant navy and working in an ice cream factory on a night shift in Australia for three winters while he spent the day practising. At 33, he seems to have a philosophical attitude to golf and with a post as professional at Northenden, winning or losing a golf tournament, even the Open championship, may not be the end of the world for him.



Faldo in a crouch with his faithful putter

Trevino needs to be more of a man of iron

By Peter Ryde

Lee Trevino decided to lend his weight to what must surely be Royal Birkdale's finest hour. He needed only to get on to the leader board after the round of 69 to attract the kind of crowds he cannot have known for months - not all the 32,000 of those present, but a good proportion of them.

He looked tired when he had finished, and although his confidence has been boosted by his victory in the Canadian PGA tournament last time out, he has been out of the limelight for a long time before that. Last year he failed to finish in the first 100; this year, again because of a bad back, he was out of the first 50.



Trevino: a piece of cake

He got on to the board by means of his driver, which he used 10 times, and his putter. He holed three putts of more than 25 feet and a chip of 70 feet at the sixth. Trevino believes that he has one more important championship in him, and that if he is going to win it anywhere, it will be at Birkdale where he does not have to fly the ball great distances and where he feels at home.

A close associate of Jack Nicklaus, by the way, believes that his champion has another "major" in his locker, although there was little sign yesterday of his getting beyond the stage of keeping his head above water. Trevino's performance was not entirely convincing. He cannot expect another day to hole so many long putts or to score a birdie at the hardest hole on the course, the sixth.

He decided to share the applause and old scores settled, chatting together as they approached most greens. Apart from Trevino sharing the hole from 35 feet at the sixteenth, the pyrotechnics on the green were finished. Jacklin's still fine swing was not reflected in his scoring and Manuel Piñero kept reminding us in his modest way what a beautiful golfer he is. But it was the old champion who held the limelight; that 66 represented an aging talent giving it all.

Royal Birkdale second round scores

Table of golf scores for the second round at Royal Birkdale. Columns include player names and scores. Scores range from 66 (Durnian) to 80 (Dunk).

Sutton is ready to take off

By Lewine Mair

The 71 Hal Sutton added to his opening 68 was hardly glittering. However, the 1983 Tournament Players' championship did so much so well that he is, to use his own words, "ready for take-off".

There are those who say that Sutton has an advantage over his colleagues in that, with his father, an oil tycoon, the holding of a three-foot putt is scarcely a matter of life or death.

For himself, Sutton knows that he cares every bit as much, if not more than the others because he is so determined not to lean on his father. He emphasizes, too, that having money does nothing to protect one from such personal problems as the divorce he went through last summer, his itinerant way of life, he surmises, having had not a little to do with that trauma. His mother

Card of course

A table showing golf course statistics: Hole, Yds, Par, Hole, Yds, Par. Total: Out 3,330 34 In 3,638 37.

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THE TRUSTHOUSE FORTE PROMISE. The minutes of the board meeting of Trusthouse Forte Hotels Limited on March 23rd 1983 stated that the company would freeze the published room rates of all UK Hotels until March 1st 1984. Then the policy is to keep prices in step with inflation. The company publishes this information as a public service. Yours faithfully Trusthouse Forte.

First Test: Tavaré sets the temperature at 78 and rising in the cauldron that is Kennington

Senior partner puts a smile back on stern face of England

By John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent

THE OVAL: England, with all second innings wickets in hand, are 139 runs ahead of New Zealand.

The first Test match between England and New Zealand, sponsored by Cornhill, was settling down into its expected pattern when the second day ended. After two low totals - New Zealand were bowled out in their first innings for 196 in reply to England's 209 - England, battling again, were 146 for no wicket at close of play.

The pitch has lost its first freshness: so have the New Zealand bowlers. Although in none of their last seven innings in this country have England reached 300, they should be aiming for something nearer 300 now. Yesterday, in the cauldron that is Kennington, the England batsmen, led by Fowler and Tavaré gave them their best start since the same pair made 103 together in the last of last summer's six Tests against Pakistan at Headingley.

The only Englishmen to have an unhappy day were Marks and Edmonds. Marks because he failed a catch and had no chance to redeem himself with the ball, and Edmonds, who had to be taken off after two wretched overs. These cost 19 runs and he was twice no-balled, the second time for bowling two bouncers, yes bouncers, in an over.

A severe Middlesex sultan A day for Hants to savour

By Alan Gibson

BRISTOL: Middlesex (24ns) beat Gloucestershire (3) by an innings and 69 runs. The legend of Swithun, Bishop of Winchester, who lived in the ninth century, originated "because he was a humble man"; he died direct that he should be buried outside the walls of the cathedral, "so that the raindrops from the eaves might fall upon his grave."

His faithful followers soon decided to bury him back inside, but, because he refused to do so, they waited 40 days before they could do it. You will see, therefore, that the St Swithun's tale applies principally to rain, not sunshine. And this is just as well because I could not stand another 40 days of the heatwave.

Whitaker makes bold thrust

By Richard Streeton

HEREFORD: Leicestershire (11pts) beat Worcestershire (6) by five wickets. Brave hitting in the closing stages by James Whitaker, aged 18, playing only his second championship match, helped Leicestershire to gain an exciting victory with five balls to spare. They had been left to make 23th in 195 minutes. It was their fifth of the season and they remain handsomely placed in the table behind the leading sides.



The one-man team that is New Zealand. Hadlee hit 84 to add to his six wickets of the previous day

set off, without second thoughts, for a single. Willis, who had already bowled 10 overs, with the temperature in the eighties, moved to his right, picked up the ball and on the turn threw down the bowler's wicket with Coney still some way out - a case of the giraffe being possessed by the panther.

When Willis accounted for Edger he equalled Underwood's 289 Test wickets. Only Lillee (332), Gibbs (209) and Trueman (307) are ahead of them. Underwood and Willis have taken their wickets at 25 apiece. Willis in 80 Test matches. Underwood in 86. The 789 which Trueman has taken over the air are not included.

Too fascinating for Yorkshire's comfort

By Peter Ball

HEADINGLEY: Yorkshire (5 pts) drew with Sussex (5). Yorkshire have successfully averted achieving their worst sequence of results since 1891. A seven-day partnership between Carrick and Sidebottom, occurring 16 of the last 20 overs, saw them safely to that desired end after another rash of leg-before decisions had briefly threatened to bring their fifth successive defeat.

So much to Yorkshire's relief, a day of fascinating cricket, tinged with controversy as the leg-before tally reached 14 in the match, ended tamely. The morning provided the most enthralling cricket of the game as Sussex sought a sizeable advantage and Yorkshire strove to prevent them. Both had their moments of success. In one half-hour period Yorkshire took four wickets for 17, while Sussex lost three for 10.

With 10 overs left Hampshire were 59, Pocock and Terry together. With five overs left they needed 23. Pocock, hitting a couple of sixes, at last brought a breath of fresh air to the dying moments.

At the heart of the game

By Peter Ball

This afternoon at Top of Red Lane, Farsley, the home team certain Yorkshire Bank in a Bradford League division one match. A few miles away at Bingley, Pudsey St Lawrence are the visitors, while across the Pennines, Crumpton meet Oldham, and Colne meet Rawtenstall in Central Lancashire and Lancashire League matches.

Championship table

Table with 5 columns: Team, P, W, L, D, Net Run Rate. Lists teams like Middlesex, Essex, Warwickshire, Kent, Surrey, Lancashire, Yorkshire, Gloucestershire, Hampshire, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Leicestershire, Worcestershire, Northamptonshire, Oxfordshire, Devon, Somerset, Kent, Surrey, Lancashire, Yorkshire, Gloucestershire, Hampshire, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Leicestershire, Worcestershire, Northamptonshire, Oxfordshire, Devon, Somerset.

had yet to score, caught at short leg, a reflex chance. But by the time New Zealand created their next chance of a breakthrough England were 95, and then Martin Crowe put down a horribly easy catch at mid-off, offered by Fowler, off Cairns.

Dane is back. Ole Mortensen, Derbyshire's Danish fast bowler, is expected to return for today's county championship match with Northamptonshire at Derby after recovering from sore shins.

Warwick v Derbys

AT EDGEMOND

Derbyshire (22 pts) beat Warwickshire (2) by 10 wickets. Second Innings: 15 Anderson, not out; 16 J.E. Morris, not out; Extras (5) 4.

Kent v Somerset

AT MAIDSTONE

SOMERSET: First Innings 256 (P M Roebuck 87, G.W. Johnson 77, J.A. Richards 82, G.W. Johnson 67, R.A. Woodcock 150, P.A. Woollmer 64, J. Garner 6 for 27).

Glamorgan v Lancs

AT SWANSEA

LANCAIRESHIRE: First Innings 153 (J. Simmons 104, W.W. Davis 64, M.W. Selwyn 4 for 45).

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Carl Lewis ready to challenge Owens

The man who is chasing a legend

Los Angeles (Reuter) - "Carl Lewis. What country does he come from?" The receptionist at the athletes' quarters at the United States-East Germany track and field meeting was stumped.

Lewis: getting known. Owens won the 100 and 200 metres and the long jump, and ran in the winning 4 by 100 metres relay team, to take four gold medals at the Olympics in Berlin in 1936, an unparalleled feat in track and field.

His first triumph came in the 100 metres, for which Lewis holds the third fastest time in history, 9.97. Lewis trailed until the final 15 metres, then accelerated just enough to secure victory over teammate King.

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HAYLING ISLAND: Weymouth 25th anniversary race, 1. S. Sweeney (Ireland), 2. T. Hancock (Ireland), 3. J. Sweeney (Ireland), 4. J. Sweeney (Ireland), 5. J. Sweeney (Ireland).

BASEBALL

CHICAGO: White Sox 8, Texas Rangers 1. New York Yankees 7, Boston Red Sox 3. Oakland Athletics 10, Cleveland Indians 4. Kansas City Royals 3, Detroit Tigers 2. St. Louis Cardinals 2, Montreal Expos 0. St. Louis Cardinals 6, San Francisco Giants 3. Houston Astros 3, Cincinnati Reds 4. Pittsburgh Pirates 8, San Diego Padres 8. Los Angeles Dodgers 8, Chicago Cubs 4.

RACING RESULTS

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THE OVAL: England v New Zealand (11.0 to 11.0 to 8.30 unless stated).

Tomorrow

CRICKET (2.0 to 8.40 or 7.0 unless stated). First Test match: THE OVAL: England v New Zealand (11.0 to 11.0 to 8.30 unless stated).

OTHER SPORT

ATHLETICS: WAIA COAST evening and relay championships (at Miramuir). Water polo: South Island (at Brockton). Soccer: League matches. Madras: County Cup. Netball: South Island (at Brockton). Snooker: County Cup. Tennis: County Cup. Table Tennis: County Cup. Badminton: County Cup. Darts: County Cup. Billiards: County Cup. Chess: County Cup. Bridge: County Cup. Golf: County Cup. Horse Racing: County Cup. Motor Racing: County Cup. Cycling: County Cup. Rowing: County Cup. Canoeing: County Cup. Sailing: County Cup. Shooting: County Cup. Archery: County Cup. Fencing: County Cup. Judo: County Cup. Karate: County Cup. Taekwondo: County Cup. Jujitsu: County Cup. Wrestling: County Cup. Boxing: County Cup. Wrestling: County Cup. Boxing: County Cup.

MOTOR RACING: BRITISH GRAND PRIX

Silverstone now world's fastest grand prix circuit

Silverstone emerged as the fastest grand prix circuit in the world yesterday. On Thursday, the Alan Prosser became the first driver at Silverstone to record an average speed of more than 150 mph...

Prosser's time was beaten first by Patrick Tambay, who put in a lap of 1min 10.14sec, and then by Tambay for a second time as he recorded 1min 10.04sec. That looked good enough for first place on the grid, but with four minutes of practice time remaining, his Ferrari team colleague, René Arnoux, recorded the fastest time ever achieved in a Formula One car, with a lap of 1min 9.62sec...

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CYCLING: TOUR DE FRANCE

Millar still reigns as King of the Mountains

From John Willecockson, Isleire Robert Millar continues to astonish us all in the Tour de France, and although he did not win the fourteenth stage through the Cantal yesterday (that honour went to Pierre Le Bigaut) he was the only rider in every phase of the action. This enabled Millar to extend his lead in the King of the Mountains contest, and to regain a minute on overall time.

leader Pascal Simon loses the Yellow Jersey in today's time trial up the Puy de Dome mountain. Simon's shoulder injury is a hairline fracture of the scapula, and he says that he has more pain from the damaged ligaments around the bone. The Frenchman yesterday maintained his overall lead of 4 minutes 14 seconds over his fellow countryman Laurent Fignon, but he looked on the verge of defeat in the early kilometres.

prepare the way for his leader, Jean-Rene Bernaudeau on the long, lean climb of the 5,230 foot high Puy Mary. Before Simon reached his rivals, Le Bigaut made his escape and took his own race to a fine victory. The Frenchman's escape was aided by a volcanic ridge that broke up the road, and he was followed by Michel Laurent, of France.

This slim Scot, riding the Tour de France for the first time, has earned a privileged position in the Peugeot team. A position that could become even more important if his team leader Pascal Simon loses the Yellow Jersey in today's time trial up the Puy de Dome mountain. Simon's shoulder injury is a hairline fracture of the scapula, and he says that he has more pain from the damaged ligaments around the bone...

At today's weights, Moon Jester and Hosam could be the two to test Gildoran's mettle especially Hosam, who will be meeting Moon Jester on 5th better terms than when they finished second and fifth behind Dazari in the King George V Stakes at Royal Ascot. Hosam has won over today's distance at Bath, in the meantime.

Piggott was in sparkling form again at Newbury yesterday, winning the first two races on Crown Godiva and Well Covered but not even his expertise and confidence were enough to keep Countess Concorde's nose in front of Rocket Alert in the valuable St. Catherine's Stakes. Rocket Alert was yet another winner for Bill O'Griffin who said that Superficial, his winner of the July Stakes at Newmarket last week, is now on course for a crack at the Prix Robert Papin at Maisons Lafitte later this month.

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Two America's Cup heavyweights battle it out on the waterfront

Not the least fascinating aspect of the America's Cup elimination races, among both prospective challengers and defenders is that the most overtaken to be found on the waterfront, which often changes to electric drills and riggers, is between two Americans.

While, for example, Alan Bond, chairman of Australia II, and Peter de Savary can regularly be found in each other's back or head in the days before, and the Italians are anxious to be friendly with everybody, Tom Blackaller and Dennis Conner regard each other with all the bonhomie of heavyweights going into the ring. Each Crab second round of observation trials, starting today will be as intense as if the opposition were Australian or British.

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America's Cup standings

Table with columns: Boat, Won, Lost, Course's, Defeat, Liberty. Includes sub-tables for US selection trials and foreign elimination series.

Meanwhile, Victory '83's dock was working through Thursday night after eight hours of sea trials to experiment further with the mast rigging, having lost the previous day to the Royal Sydney Yacht Club boat Advance with adjustments which proved to be disadvantageous. But the designer, Ian Howlett, has arrived back in Newport after extensive tank tests at Southampton on possible keel adjustments for the semi-final.

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Moving a stroke or two nearer a selection answer

By Jim Ralton

The National championships of Britain this weekend at Nottingham's Home Ponds course may provide some answers to selection problems still hovering just six weeks before the world championships. After many disappointments and disasters in Lucerne last weekend, a new man's heavyweight eight will be launched this weekend, and even before the British championships began yesterday, the women had been informed that more will be in the melting pot next week during trials in an attempt to strengthen crews.

Experiments are likely to continue next week with only Copenhagen left as a real testing ground before the world's best gather in Duisburg. Britain already appears to have a flagship in the men's coxed four, stroked by Richard Budgett, who finished a close second to East Germany last Saturday. The single sculler, Beryl Mitchell, continues to rank among the world's leaders and the men's coxless four, who just missed the Lucerne final last Saturday, merit closer examination.

But these two four's last Sunday in Lucerne combined to form an eight, finishing fifth, but with little left in the last 500 metres. Mitchell from the eight field were the world champions, New Zealand, the Soviet Union, the United States, Australia and Czechoslovakia.

Nevertheless, the two squad fours combine again on Sunday in the British championships, and will be challenged by a new eight powered by the Kingston coxed four and other leading small boat contenders. Another experiment after the national championships could be the Kingston coxed four combined with the coxless four squad, but there is precious time left.

Perhaps the most competitive event this weekend will be the men's coxless pairs which include the Henley winners, Tyrrian, the Amsterdam victors and Lucerne runners-up, Whitland and Knight cross, Nottingham, Oxford University's past and present presidents, Jones and Young, and not forgetting the Lea pair, Scrivener and Hassan, who finished fifth in Lucerne last Saturday.

There will be some scores to settle in this race, and the current of selection for the world championships will lift the adrenalin even more.

Single sculler Steve Redgrave, last Sunday in Lucerne, won the single scull final with conviction. He needs for more experience in the single to battle against world stars such as Kolbe, (West Germany), Reiche or Mudd (East Germany), and Olympic champion, Karpainen (Finland). The single sculler, Tony Murray, who finished second in the men's coxless four, will be programmed to dismiss the veteran Crooks with an emphatic win on Sunday or even his selection could be under question.

The double sculls partnership of Bailey and Spencer-Jones are destined to stand on the victory stage on Sunday, but they must have come down to earth last weekend, failing to qualify in the heat both days in Lucerne despite victories in Amsterdam and the Royal Regatta.

SWIMMING New world time by Salnikov

Los Angeles, (Reuter) - Vladimir Salnikov, of the Soviet Union, broke his own world record in the men's 800 metres freestyle on Sunday, 53.33secs on the opening day of a four-day, 20-nation competition in the new Olympic swimming stadium here.

Salnikov, who also holds world records in the 400 metres and 1,500 metres freestyle events, cut half a second off his record of 7min 52.83secs, set in February, 1982 in Moscow. He trailed the other leading small boat contenders. Another experiment after the national championships could be the Kingston coxed four combined with the coxless four squad, but there is precious time left.

RESULTS: Men: 100m freestyle: 1. S. Salnikov (USSR), 51.82sec; 500m freestyle: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 2min 51.82sec; 1,500m freestyle: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 5min 53.33sec; 200m butterfly: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 2min 12.77sec; 400m butterfly: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 4min 53.33sec; 800m butterfly: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 10min 12.77sec; 1,500m butterfly: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 17min 52.83sec; 2,000m butterfly: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 24min 12.77sec; 4,000m butterfly: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 49min 12.77sec; 8,000m butterfly: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 1hr 37min 12.77sec; 15,000m butterfly: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 3hr 12min 12.77sec; 30,000m butterfly: 1. Salnikov (USSR), 6hr 12min 12.77sec.

FOOTBALL Leeds sign forward

George McCuskey, the Celtic forward, has signed for Leeds United, but the two clubs have still not agreed on the transfer fee. Celtic value McCuskey at £100,000, but Leeds are only prepared to offer £100,000. McCuskey, whose fee will now be decided by an independent tribunal, will play his first game for Leeds in a pre-season friendly with Falkirk on August 6.

YACHTING Wayfarers progress

When Ian Proctor designed the 16-foot Wayfarer 25 years ago he had little idea that it would one day be a popular international racing class. The original intention was that it would be a simple, sturdy, and easy to sail dinghy that would be suitable for use in coastal waters and harbours, and were then used as the craft of their useful life. Coincidentally, the club in north Devon was looking for just such a boat: Proctor and his building associates, Small Craft, offered them the Wayfarer and the new class was born.

She was an immediate success at about £300, and early boats were indeed kept on moorings. A few, mainly used by sailing schools, still are, but most of the new ones, now costing around £2,000, are kept ashore.

The perfect all-round dinghy does not exist and probably never will - the conflicting demands of speed and stability cannot be blended to satisfy all tastes - but the Wayfarer comes as close as any to meeting the specifications.

The British national championship was held at Hayling Island during the past week, and was won by Ian Porter, of the home club.

CLUB AND VILLAGE CRICKET Family fortunes

Sessy, the 1976 losing finalists, epitomized the traditional values of village cricket in celebrating a family success over Hesterton in the sixth round of the Whitehead championship. Father and son, Brian and John Flintoff, shared an opening stand of 64 and the brothers, Bruce (61 not out) and Neil (59 not out) Jackson, then added an unbroken 128 for the fourth wicket towards Sessy's total of 219 for nine in reply.

A century from Yates steered knowledge, the Surrey and Berkshire champions, through in the closest finish of the round against Crookham Hill, from Kent. His 143 helped Rowley to 206 for six, to beat Crookham, 216 for five, by five runs. Other century-makers were Heagen, of Longparish, in their 70-run over Barbourne, and Ilex, of Costers, whose 81 helped them win a place in the last for the first time. Goatsacre beat Ellingham by 36 runs.

The first qualifiers for the quarter-finals of the William Younger Cup are Keynham and Neild (59 not out) Jackson, then added an unbroken 128 for the fourth wicket towards Sessy's total of 219 for nine in reply.

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Saturday

Sunday

BBC 1

- 1.25 Open University (until 8.30) Palazzo Farnese, Caprarola; 8.50 History of maths; 7.15 TV Technology; 8.55 A Question of Chemistry; 8.55 A Question of Colour.

tv-am

- 6.25 Good Morning Britain: with Henry Kelly, includes news at 7.15, 8.0 and 8.30. Sport at 7.15. News, fashion and music etc at 7.15. Guest spot at 8.07; Jackie Gouva and her aerobics at 8.32.

ITV/LONDON

- 9.25 LWT Information: What's on in the area; 9.30 Sesame Street: easy road to learning, with The Muppet; 10.30 No 73: Reg Blyth offers to take the gang some circus tricks. Plus the winner of the "photobooth" competition.

BBC 2

- 6.25 Open University (until 8.10). Starts with Islands of Hawaii. Ends (beginning at 2.45) with Molecules: Art Beckmann.

CHANNEL 4

- 2.15 As Good as New: Revitalising old picture frames; cleaning the pictures inside them; and cutting glass and mirrors. With Mike Smith (p).

Radio 4

- 6.28 Shipping forecast. 6.30 News: Farming Today. 6.35 Respective religious affairs. 6.55 Weather: Travel.

Radio 3

- 7.55 Weather. 8.00 News. 8.05 Jubilee. Wagner, Mozart Concerto (Radio in A, K388).

Radio 1

- News on the half hour until 12.30pm. 2.30, 3.30, 7.30, 8.30, 10.00 and 12.00 midnight (M/F/W).

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BBC 1

- 6.25 Open University (until 8.55): 8.00 Camberwick Green: for the very young; 8.15 Knock Knock with Bolton songwriter Steve Amitt, and a jodhat tale told by Janet Ellis; 8.30 This is the Day: from St Martin-in-the-Fields, London; 10.00 Asian Magazine: The threat to a Southall day care park scheme; 11.25

tv-am

- 7.15 Rub-a-Dub-Tub: for the youngsters, with items on hamsters and exotic birds; stories, cartoons; visits to a canal and the beach; and flute-playing and story-telling from Alanah Ben-Tovim.

ITV/LONDON

- 9.25 LWT Information: what's on in the area; 9.30 Parents and Teachers show parents can help their children's learning (10.00 Morning Workshops: Mass at St Francis Church, Handsworth, Birmingham with Vietnamese in the congregation; 10.00 Getting On: Letters that link the aged to one another; 11.30 God's Story: Elijah and Elisha; 11.45

BBC 2

- 6.25 Open University (ends at 1.55). Begins with Images: the Crab Nebula; and other items are Inquiry: a Welsh village (at 6.50), the Romans in France (7.15), Conflict: Strike News (at 7.55), News Communications: James Bond (at 11.25), Mechanisms of Pain Relief (at 11.55), and Maths Modelling: sandcastles (at 11.55).

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- 2.20 Irish Angle Special: A film about the sculptor P. E. MacWilliam, preparing for his retrospective at Belfast's Ulster Museum.

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- SC4 3.00 Usher Landscapes. 3.25 In Search of Paradise. 3.55 A Kind of Living. 4.20 Switch. 5.15 Film: Jane Eyre. 7.00 Gwendolyn. 7.40 Dogland. 8.15 The Rose. 8.45 Airing. 8.15 Second Newydd V.Y. Lewod. 10.05 Naked City. 11.00 The Vanishing Tapes of Africa. 11.55 News. 12.00 Close.

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- BORDER As London except: 8.30 Cartoon Time. 8.40 The Metal Mikes. 8.45-9.00 The Sandwich Man. 8.45 Film: The Rose. As London 10.15, 12.00 Close.

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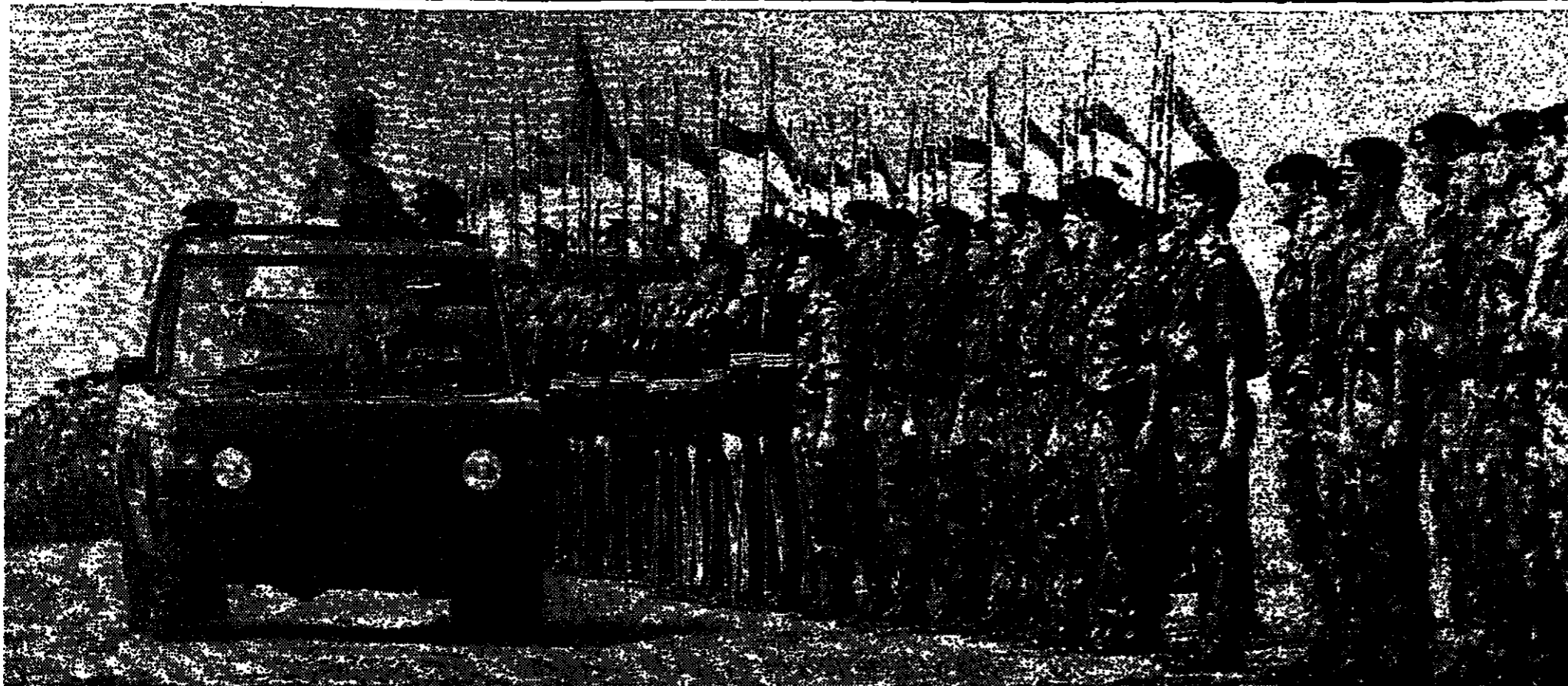
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The Queen inspecting the 16th/5th The Queen's Royal Lancers on Salisbury Plain yesterday before presenting a new guidon (Photograph: Bill Warhurst).

Telecom sale offers phone users shares

By Bill Johnstone, Electronics Correspondent

The Government is expected to announce on Monday its intention to make a special issue of bonds or shares in British Telecom available to telephone subscribers and employees of the corporation. The announcement, by Mr Cecil Parkinson, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, will be made during a second reading of the new Telecommunications Bill in the Commons. The measures are just two of a package put together by the Department of Trade and Industry, designed to ensure the successful sale of 51 per cent of British Telecom by the end of next year.

Live TV football matches

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Saturday night spot - which independent television has found not to be a ratings puller and commercial television will present its programme on Sunday afternoons. Each will show recorded highlights from two games; the Independent Television broadcast will be a network programme with regional transmissions only when a particularly interesting local game - for example, Ipswich v Norwich on Anglia - is scheduled.

New formula heads off Tory MPs' pay revolt

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amendment urging the full implementation of the recommendation presented to Parliament by Lord Plowden's Top Salaries Review for a 31 per cent rise, taking MPs salaries up to £19,000. He added that the proposed reduction in secretarial and research assistance allowance would be highly unpopular with the Labour side.

Chad rebels reel under attack

N'Djamena, Chad (AP) - The government forces of President Hissène Habré, equipped with newly-arrived French armoured vehicles, advanced northwards yesterday in pursuit of Libyan-backed rebel forces meeting under a week of setbacks.

Letter from Johannesburg Drought comes at last to the white suburbs

The southern African drought, which experts describe as possibly the worst this century, is at last beginning to touch the pampered lives of the denizens of the northern suburbs of Johannesburg, which boast one of the highest standards of living to be found anywhere in the world. In the countryside, maize crops have withered (South Africa, normally an exporter of grain, may have to import more than two million tons this year). Cattle have been slaughtered and thousands of white farmers face ruin.

Today's events

Royal engagements The Duke of Kent attends the British Grand Prix at Silverstone, Northants, 12.15. Music Guitars recital by Stefano Grondona, Canterbury Cathedral, 7.30.

Solution of Puzzle No 16,177

Solution of Puzzle No 16,182

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,183

A prize of The Times Atlas of the World (comprehensive edition) will be given for the first three correct solutions entered next Thursday. Entries should be addressed to: The Times, Saturday Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC9 9JT. The winners and solution will be published next Saturday.

Crossword puzzle grid with numbers 1-28 and a set of clues below.

ACROSS 1 Declared it illegal, say, or criminal (6). 2 Use what's overdrawn for secret purpose, we hear (5).

Bollington Festival Choir, holywell Music Room, Holywell street, Oxford, 8.

Clarinet recital, 11; and concert by Classical Orchestra, 8; both at Assembly Rooms York.

General Morris dancing display George Street, Westminster 5. Station and depot open day to mark the 50th anniversary of the electrification of the London to Brighton Line, Brighton station, 10 to 4.

World Wine Fair and Festival Exhibition Centre, Cannons Road, Bristol, 11 to 4 and 6 to 10; (ends today).

Anniversaries

Birch: Andrea del Sarto, painter, Florence, 1486; Sir Joshua Reynolds, Plymouth, Devon, 1723; Jean Baptiste Corot, painter, Paris, 1796; Mary Baker Eddy, founder of the Church of Christ, Scientist, Bow, New Haven, USA, 1821; Anne of Cleves, fourth wife of Henry VIII, died in London, 1557; Nicholas II, last Czar of Russia, and his family was murdered at Ekaterinburg (now Sverdlovsk), 1918. The first atomic bomb was exploded in New Mexico, 1945.

National Day

Iraq celebrates its National Day tomorrow, marking the assumption of power by the Arab Ba'ath Socialist Party following a bloodless coup in 1968. President Saddam Husain who took office as President, Chairman of the Revolutionary Command Council and Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, on July 16, 1978, launched a full-scale invasion of Iran in September 1980 in an attempt to regain control of the whole Shatt al-Arab waterway. A stalemate now persists and during the past year it has been usually Iran that has taken the offensive. Iraq is experiencing economic difficulties but President Saddam is going ahead with several prestige development projects including the building of a \$2,000m mosque in Baghdad.

The pound

Table with columns: Country, Buy, Sell, Bank, Buy, Sell. Includes Australia, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, USA, Yugoslavia.

Roads

London and South-east: Central London Demonstration between Grosvenor Square and Notting Hill Gate, at noon today, A40(M) Lane closures on westway this weekend. A12: Eastern Avenue, Gallows Corner, Romford, closed tomorrow 10 to 3.30. Extra traffic on M20 and A9 today because of Kent Show, Deal, 10.30.

The papers

The Daily Mail says that even if a compromise has been worked out, the eagerness of MPs for a pay rise has not been edifying. Being a backbench MP ought not necessarily to be treated as a full-time job, but part of it certainly is getting an example: MPs could best show that they deserve their existing salaries by not pressing for more.

Gardens open

TODAY Dorset: Catnap Cottage, Hilton, 10m S of Blandford off A354, Blandford-Dorchester road; 1 1/2 acres, shrubs, perennials, herb and shade garden; 10 to 5. TOMORROW Aberdeenshire: Beechgrove Garden, BBC Broadcasting House, Beechgrove, Aberdeen; Scotland's television garden; 11 to 6. Ayrshire: Carnal, Hinfert, walled garden, rock and water gardens, greenhouses; 2 to 6. Dorset: Ivy Cottage Garden, Ansty, Dorchester; a plantman's garden, fine perennials, stream, water and rock garden, vegetable garden; 2 to 6. Gloucestershire: Rodmanton Manor, 6m SW of Cirencester, 4m NE of Tetbury; herbaceous borders, terrace gardens, emphasis on labour saving; 2 to 7; also open every Thursday in July.

In the garden

Many jobs cry out to be done - staking, tying, removing dead heads on irises, azaleas, rhododendrons, roses and other plants. Keep all climbers tied to their supports; take care of young growths on climbing roses - tie them to a cane if there is not a wire or pole near enough, and later on tie them to their permanent support.

Pollen forecast

Table with columns: Pollen count, Peak time. Lists various pollen types and their expected peak times.

Weather forecast

A weak trough of low pressure lies across northern counties of England.

Weather map showing pressure systems and fronts over the British Isles. Includes text: '6 am to midnight', '12.30 to 2.30', 'Sun rises: 5.03am, sets: 8.10pm'.

Lighting-up time

Table with columns: Location, Sun sets, Moon rises. Lists various locations and their corresponding lighting-up times.

Around Britain

Table with columns: Location, Sun sets, Moon rises. Lists various locations across Britain and their corresponding times.

Weather map showing pressure systems and fronts over the British Isles. Includes text: 'NOON TODAY Pressure is shown in millibars', 'Sun rises: 5.03am, sets: 8.10pm'.

Table with columns: Location, Sun sets, Moon rises. Lists various locations and their corresponding times.

Highest and lowest

Table with columns: Location, Highest, Lowest. Lists various locations and their highest and lowest temperatures.

High tides

Table with columns: Location, AM, HM, PM. Lists various locations and their high tide times.

Abroad

Table with columns: Location, Sun sets, Moon rises. Lists various international locations and their corresponding times.